

BOF – Minutes – 3.20.2024

The Board of Finance Meeting minutes of March 20, 2024.

Present: **Board of Finance Members:** Pari Forood, Chairman; Emily Vail; Richard Cantele; Michael Voldstad; Joseph Woodard. Absent: Janet Graaff.

Salisbury Central School Board of Education (SCS BOE): Stephanie Magyar, Principal; Sue Bucceri, Board Clerk; Elizabeth McNiff, Board Clerk; David Valcin, SCS BOE Chairman.

Board of Selectmen (BOS): Curtis Rand, First Selectman; Christian Williams, Selectman; Katherine Kiefer, Selectman.

Joseph Cleaveland, Comptroller; Charlotte Hower, Assistant to the Comptroller, Emily Egan, Secretary; members of the press and public.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01pm.

M. Voldstad made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 7, 2024 meeting. J. Woodard seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

SCS BOE FY 2024-2025 Final Draft Budget

The final draft budget presented by SCS BOE totaled \$6,535,939; an increase of \$195,665 or 3.09%. S. Magyar presented the changes to the final draft budget since the meeting on March 7, 2023. Two changes have occurred, bringing the budget change down -\$12,418. There was a decrease to Insurance; the premium increase changed from 5% to 2%. There was an increase in Non-Certified Salaries; reflects new union contract pay rates.

BOS FY 2024-2025 Final Draft Budget

The final draft budget presented by the Board of Selectmen totaled 8,619,572; an increase of 401,742 or 4.8%. The budget decreased by -3,281. The line items that were adjusted are Hospital Insurance (decreased -22,717) and Transfer Station (increased by +19,436).

J. Woodard made a motion that both the Salisbury Central School FY 2024-2025 budget in the amount of \$6,535,939 and the Board of Selectmen FY 2024-20245 budget in the amount of \$8,619,572 be presented at the Public Hearing scheduled on April 22, 2024 at 7:30pm. E. Vail seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

E. Vail made a motion to the appoint Sinnamon & Associates as the Town Auditor for the final year of a 3-yr fixed contract. M. Voldstad seconded, and the motion was approved unanimously.

P. Forood mentioned that the April 4th, 2024 Board of Finance meeting will be cancelled, and the next meeting will be the Public Hearing on April 22, 2024.

Adjourn at 6:15pm.

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Links to: SCS BOE Final Draft Budget for FY 2024-2025 https://www.salisburyct.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/SCS-24-25-Draft-Budget-for-Public-Hearing.pdf

Board of Selectmen Final Draft Budget for FY 2024-2025

https://www.salisburyct.us/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/20240405 Town-of-Salisbury-2024-2025-Budget-No.-4.pdf