

**Region One Board of Education
Special Meeting
Tuesday, April 28, 2020**

A virtual special meeting of the Region One Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2020, using Zoom. A quorum was in attendance: Chair Pat Mechare, Canaan; John Sanders, Cornwall; Jenn Duncan, Kent; Brian Bartram, North Canaan; Stacie Weiner, Salisbury; and Sara Cousins, Sharon.

Also in attendance were Lisa Carter, Assistant Superintendent; Sam Herrick, Business Manager; Ian Strever, HVRHS Principal; press and public.

Chair Mechare called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Business Manager Sam Herrick presented the 2020-2021 proposed budget updates that have been made since their March meeting to the Board. As of the March meeting, the proposed budget represented an increase of 0.68%. As of today, the proposed 2020-2021 budget is at a 0% increase. This would be the third year in a row of a 0% budget increase. Mr. Herrick provided a general overview, going line by line in areas of the budget that have gone either up or down since the last draft was presented.

No action was taken regarding the 2020-2021 proposed budget.

A virtual public hearing on the budget will be held on Thursday, May 7th, at 7:00 p.m. The Board will meet immediately following the public hearing to vote on the budget.

Discussion was held regarding the lawn care and snow plow bids.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Bartram, seconded by Ms. Duncan, to renew the contract with Greenacres Landscaping for snow plowing services for three years, at \$15,000 per year. The contract would be from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

A **motion** was made by Ms. Duncan, seconded by Ms. Weiner, to renew the contract with Allyndale Landscaping for lawn care services for three years, for a total of \$75,000 for all three years. The contract would be from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023. The motion was carried with one abstention from Ms. Mechare.

No public comment was heard.

A **motion** was made by Ms. Weiner, seconded by Mr. Sanders, to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Bunce

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Board Clerk