



TOWN of
THOMPSON

BOARD OF FINANCE

MINUTES: Special Meeting
Budget Presentation/Public Hearing

Thursday, March 1, 2018, 7:00 PM
Thompson Public Schools Auditorium
785 Riverside Dr., No. Grosvenordale, CT

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Chairman Aaron McGarry called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

I. Roll Call:

- Members Present: Aaron McGarry, Larry Groh Jr., Susanne Witkowski and Rob Mann.
- Members Absent: Rhonda Rooney and Jim Bellavance
- Staff Present: Orla McKiernan-Rafferty, Diane Minarik, Recording Secretary
- Also Present: Members of the Public

II. Budget Presentations/Public Hearing:

1. Ken Beausoleil, First Selectman: General Budget, Local Capital Improvement Projects, Capital Improvement Plan.
 - K. Beausoleil presented the 2018/2019 proposed budget for the Town of Thompson.
2. Melinda Smith, Thompson Public School:
 - Chairman of the Board of Education Bill Witkowski introduced M. Smith to present the 2018/2019 proposed budget for the Thompson Public Schools.
 - J. Houghton, 93 Wager Rd, asked if she could mention how hot the classrooms get. According to Mr. Birch the film will reduce 70% of the heat entering the classrooms and some have reached close to 100°. M. Smith stated summer programs are held in some of those rooms.
 - Renee Waldron, 79 Main St, asked M. Smith to explain the cut in the Guidance Counselor. They're proposing a staff change from a Guidance Counselor to a Social Worker in MRFES for more support to students and families.
 - B. Witkowski stated the student population is going up, a lot of exciting things are happening, the PTO is very helpful, and he thanks the BoE members for all they do and is happy to be a part of it all.

III. Adjourn

Susanne Witkowski moved and Rob Mann seconded the motion to adjourn.
The motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Aaron McGarry adjourned the meeting at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diane Minarik

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Recording Secretary