

TSB Minutes
@Townshend Elementary School
8-12-13 Approved
7:00 p.m.

Present: Kim Liebow, Al Claussen, April Chase, Members of the Board, Steven John, Superintendent, Judy Hawkins, Recorder

Guest: David Dezendorf

Absent: Brian Schmidt, Beth Cutts, Deborah Leggott

Call to Order: April called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm

Additions and Deletions: None

Members of the Public: None

Consent Calendar:

- a. Minutes for July 8, 2013

Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

Treasurer and financial reports:

Kim made a motion to direct the treasurer to draw down the balance on the line of credit which is \$125,000. Motion carried. Due to tax bills not sent out-April spoke with Henry Martin, Chair of Townshend Selectboard. He said the town is not in a position to borrow money from the bank. April sent an e-mail to Frank Rucker letting him know of the situation. Heidi Russ and Anita said that all bills they have can't be covered for vendor and payroll. There is \$142,000 available to pay some of the purchase orders but the rest we don't have available. It is not definite if Anita has drawn the full line of credit. David said on August 15th the tax information will be submitted to the state to establish the grand list, August 19th the tax rate should be set and the end of September the taxes will be collected.

Bills and Purchase Orders:

April made a motion to pay the bills and purchase orders as follows: Payroll PO #1 11304.83, Payroll PO #2 \$4688.46, Payroll PO #3 \$2842.86, Payroll PO #4 \$1096.21, Payroll PO #7 \$3230.41, Payroll PO#8 \$5106.49, Payroll PO#9 14863.35, Payroll PO#10 7700.24, Payroll PO#11 \$2145.39, Payroll PO#12 \$9525.57, Payroll PO #13 \$3877.13, Payroll PO#14 \$4597.90, and Payroll PO#15 \$1537.14, Vendor Warrant PO #16 \$13856.93, and Vendor Warrant PO#17 \$138242.59. Total Payroll PO's \$72515.98 and Vendor Warrant Total is \$152,099.52. Total of all purchase orders \$224,615.50. Kim made a motion to carry pending confirmation of sufficient balance from the treasurer. Motion carried.

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Reports of Administration and Committees:

- a. Policy-None
- b. Technology-None-Steven has reported that technology has been upgraded.
- c. RED-Steven reported on the last meeting. The final copy of the Voluntary Regional Educational Education District Study Committee report will go to the State of Education tomorrow. Steven Morse wants to meet with Steven John to become educated on this. Steven reported on: Article 12-Board start date and operation, this protects the small from the large. Any member of the WCED Board may call for a decision to be determined by a two-vote method. One vote will be the usual decision making method with each board member having a single vote. In the second method there will be one vote for each town. The board will develop procedures for determining town votes when there is more than one representative from a town, the result of a tie vote, and any other procedure needed to implement the two vote method. Unless both votes are affirmative, the motion fails. A lengthy discussion ensued. There will be a short time for partition before August 21st. There will be positions for one year, two year and three year terms.
- c. Steven reported on AYP by school. Townshend did well. They did not meet AYP in Math.

Unfinished Business and General Orders:

- a. Borrowing capacity in lieu of taxes: See under treasurer and financial reports.
- b. WCSU Summer Retreat-Year round school calendar. Steven recommended that board members attend. The agenda has gone out to Emily but has not been approved yet by the officers.

New Business: None

Correspondence: April received the Grace Cottage Flow Report. The report looks good for this month. 2) Letter from the select board to the RED committee re: leasing of property in back of town hall (5 acres). It has been leased to L&G for 99 years. .

Executive Session: None

Upcoming Meetings:

- a. WCSU Annual Retreat August 28th at the Hermitage in Dover from 5:30 pm to 8-pm-Dinner will be served.

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b. RED Committee meeting on August 21st.

Adjourn: Kim made a motion to adjourn at 8:21 p.m. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hawkins
Recorder