



**TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2019**

Christopher Brunelle, At Large 2019
Mark Lunt, District 1 2019
Vacant, District 2, 2019
Fern Larochelle, At Large 2020
Normand Albert, At Large 2021
Kasie Kolbe, District 1 2021
Allen Ward, District 2 2021

CALL TO ORDER. The Chairman, Normand Albert, called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL. Members present were Councilors Ward, Albert, Kolbe, Brunelle, Lunt, and Larochelle. Also present were Diane Barnes, Town Manager; Rick Green, School Superintendent; Traci Austin, School Committee Chairman; and approximately five citizens in the audience.

Councilor Albert said Councilor Larochelle was attending a required municipal training event this evening and could not be present.

VOTE (2019-105) Councilor Ward, seconded by Councilor Albert moved to excuse Councilor Larochelle's absence. **Order passed - Vote 5-0.**

COUNCIL ORDERS, RESOLUTIONS, & ORDINANCES

ADOPT 2019-2020 SCHOOL BUDGET WARRANT ARTICLES

**ARTICLE 1 - PUBLIC FUNDING OF PRE-KINDERGARTEN TO GRADE 12
AS DESCRIBED IN THE ESSENTIAL PROGRAMS & SERVICES FUNDING ACT**

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to appropriate for the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act (**Recommended \$ 13,148,750**) and to see what sum the Council will raise as the Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services funding Act in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, Section 15688.

"Explanation: The Town's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act is the amount of money determined by state law to be the minimum amount that a municipality must raise in order to receive the full amount of state dollars."

School Committee Recommends \$4,486,794

VOTE (2019-105A) Councilor Ward, seconded by Councilor Albert moved for Article 1 the following:

\$ 4,486,794

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ARTICLE 2 – DEBT SERVICES

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to raise and appropriate for the annual payments on debt service previously approved by the legislative body for non-state-funded school construction projects, or non-state-funded portions of school construction projects in addition to the funds appropriated as the local share of the school administrative unit's contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12.

Explanation: Non-state-funded debt service is the amount of money needed for the annual payments on the municipality/district long-term debt for major capital school construction projects and minor capital renovation projects that is not approved for state subsidy. The bonding of this long-term debt was previously approved by the voters or other legislative body.

Amount Recommended \$ 460,409

VOTE (2019-105B) Councilor Lunt, seconded by Councilor Brunelle moved for Article 2 the following:

\$ 460,409

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ARTICLE 3 – FUNDS EXCEEDING THE STATE’S EPS ALLOCATION MODEL

Shall the Town of Lisbon raise and appropriate **\$ 2,440,440** in additional local funds, which exceeds the State’s Essential Programs and Services allocation model by an additional **\$431,285** as required to fund the budget recommended by the School Committee.

The School Committee recommends **\$2,440,440** for additional local funds and gives the following reasons for exceeding the State’s Essential Programs and Services funding model by an additional **\$431,285**. This covers:

- 1) Co-curricular and Extra-curricular activities: The State only supports 20% of Lisbon’s total expenditures.
- 2) The Teacher Retirement portion that was previously paid by the state
- 3) Substitute Pay: The State Allocates half a day per student. This does not cover long-term absences where substitutes are paid at a higher rate.
- 4) Special Education: This additional amount is partly due to year old student information, summer school, scheduling and reduced financial support at the Federal and State levels.
- 5) Nutrition (lunch): The state does not provide any subsidy to cover the expenses in the general budget.

School Committee Recommended \$2,440,440

Explanation: The additional local funds are those locally raised funds over and above the school administrative unit’s local contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act and local amounts raised for the annual payment on non-state funded debt service that will help achieve the Lisbon School Department’s budget for education programs.

VOTE (2019-105C) Councilor Ward, seconded by Councilor Kolbe moved for Article 3 the following:

\$ 2,440,440

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ARTICLE 4 – EXPEND FOR FY 2018-2019

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Committee to expend for the fiscal year beginning **July 1, 2019** and ending **June 30, 2020** from the Town’s contribution to the total cost of funding public education from pre-kindergarten to grade 12 as described in the Essential Programs and Services Funding Act, non-state – funded school construction projects, additional local funds for school purposes under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 20-A, section 15690, unexpected balances, tuition receipts, state subsidy and other receipts for the support of school.

School Committee Recommended \$ 16,804,417

VOTE (2019-105D) Councilor Lunt, seconded by Councilor Ward moved for Article 4 the following:

\$ 16,804,417

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

**ARTICLE 5 – ADULT EDUCATION &
RAISE FUNDS AS THE LOCAL SHARE**

To see if the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to appropriate **\$ 33,618** for Adult Education and raise **\$ 22,574** as the local share; with authorization to expend any additional, incidental, or miscellaneous receipts in the interest and for the well-being of the adult education program.

School Committee Recommends YES

VOTE (2019-105E) Councilor Brunelle, seconded by Councilor Albert moved for Article 5 the following:

YES.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ARTICLE 6 – ADULT EDUCATION

To see what sum the Council will authorize the Lisbon School Department to expend for Adult Education.

School Committee Recommends \$ 33,618

VOTE (2019-105F) Councilor Kolbe, seconded by Councilor Brunelle moved for Article 6 the following:

\$ 33,618

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ARTICLE 7 – FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS OR PROGRAMS

In addition to amounts approved in the preceding articles, shall the Council authorize the School Committee to expend sums as may be received from federal or state grants or programs or other sources during the fiscal year for school purposes, provided that such grants, programs or other sources do not require the expenditure of other funds not previously appropriated?

School Committee Recommends YES

VOTE (2019-105G) Councilor Lunt, seconded by Councilor Albert moved for Article 7 the following:

YES.

Roll Call Vote: Yeas – Albert, Lunt, Ward, Kolbe, and Brunelle. Nays - None. Order passed - Vote 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT

VOTE (2019-106) Councilor Kolbe, seconded by Councilor Lunt moved to adjourn at 7:15 PM. **Order passed - Vote 5-0.**

Twila D. Lycette, Council Secretary
Town Clerk, Lifetime CCM/MMC
Date Approved: May 21, 2019