

Draft

North Hero School Board Meeting
Wednesday.... November 12, 2008
at North Hero School gym.. 6:30 P.M.

In Attendance: School Board: Nicholas Kinney, Shelly St. Hilaire, Rose
Cheeseman, Andrew Julow and Jennifer
Gariety
Principal: Joey Bennink
Project Co-ordinator: George Nelson 6:40 P.M.
Board Clerk: Jo-Ann Tier
Guest: Ira Trembley, Jeanine Pratt and Rita Douglas
Note: Absent: Richard Taylor, Superintendent

Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge was led by Chair St. Hilaire

Adjustment of Agenda

. Principal's Report..... Citizenship Reports
..... Equipment in the garage

Board Discussion..... Bus update... George Nelson

Approval of Minutes of November 05, 2008

Nicholas Kinney made a motion to accept the minutes of
November 05, 2008 as read.. this motion was seconded by
Andrew Julow.. hearing no further discussion... this motion
was carried 5-0.

COMMENTS & QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC REGARDING ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

No comments at this time in the meeting

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Citizenship Reports

Principal Bennink reviewed with the Board the Citizenship
Report that was sent in the past years to parents each Trimester
which reflects work habits.

It was noted that the content of this report is also reflected in the
current Trimester Report sent home for each child.

Discussion...

Jennifer Gariety made a motion that the Citizenship Report grading process be eliminated at North Hero School.. this motion was seconded by Nicholas Kinney... hearing no further discussion - this motion was carried 5-0.

Equipment in the garage (desk)

The principal at Alburgh School has expressed an interest in receiving some of the student desks that are in the garage. Board asked that 5 or so be kept at the school of each kind rather it be for extra parts and/or use.

BOARD DISCUSSION

Act 60/68 (George Nelson & Karen Groseclose)

Note: Karen Groseclose unable to attend this meeting due to a personal matter.

George distributed information and discussed with the Board the following –

- Act 68 Tax Rate Calculator
- Preliminary FY 2010 base amount tech payment
- FY2009 Funding Summary, Phase 1
- Act 82 Second Vote Requirement

George was thanked by the Board for his input this evening.

Note: Copy of material distributed by George Nelson attached to School Board minutes and the Town Clerk's minutes

Bus Update

George updated the Board on the meeting held with the bus driver (s) for the North Hero School bus and the bus driver for the Essex Bus.

Sharing and discussion took place for the following:

- Complaints by families and community
- Behavior on the busses
- Other issues one being the speed of the North Hero bus.
- Etc..

Posting of Agenda (s)

Discussion took place on the various locations that the School Board Agenda could be placed....

i.e. Town Clerk's Office
North Hero School
Harborside Market

Hero's Welcome
Town of North Hero Web Page

Andrew Julow made a motion that the agenda be posted at the Town Clerk's Office, North Hero School and the North Hero Town Web Page. This was seconded by Nicholas Kinney.. hearing no further discussion this motion was carried 5-0.

Community Involvement

Discussion....with steps that could/will be taken

- making the public area that the School Board meetings are open to all people and that all are welcome.
- on the bottom of the agenda could list School Board names along with phone numbers.
- Agenda... being attached to the Friday Newsletter sent to the parents.
- Increase posting to the Harborside Market and Hero's Welcome.
- Making the public area that the Board would like to hear their concerns and questions... "the door is open".
- Up dates by the Board in The Islander
- In the upcoming Town Report under the School Board's Report.. reference where agenda (s) and minutes are located.

BOARD ACTION

Approval of Bills for Payment

Nicholas Kinney made a motion that the following warrants be paid by the Board...

- Accounts Payable Voucher Warrant dated: November 10, 2008 in the amount of \$123,960.65
- Extra voucher for construction contractor dated: November 12, 2008 in the amount of \$67,692.00
- Accounts Payable Voucher Warrant dated: November 11, 2008 in the amount of \$30.00

This motion was seconded by Jennifer Gariety... hearing no further discussion this motion was carried 5-0.

Note: all warrants signed by all Board Members

EXECUTIVE SESSION (if need be)

Executive Session not needed at this time

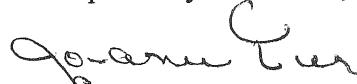
AGENDA BUILDING

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 03, 2008 starting at 7:00 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Jennifer Gariety made a motion to adjourn this meeting.. this was seconded by Andrew Julow.. hearing no further discussion... this motion was carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,


Jo-Ann Tier

C: School Board Andrew Julow/Nicholas Kinney/Shelly St. Hilaire/Jennifer Gariety
and Rose Cheeseman
Superintendent Taylor
Principal Bennink
Town Clerk Pete Johnson
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