

**Timberlane Regional School Board  
Atkinson, Danville, Plaistow, Sandown**

**Public Hearing**

January 13, 2005  
7:00 pm

Timberlane Performing Arts Center  
Plaistow, New Hampshire

Present: Mrs. Aubrey, Mr. Baldwin, Mrs. Champey, Mr. Luongo, Mr. Paone, Mr. Stack, Mrs. Withee  
Absent: Mr. Brayall, Mrs. Hall

In addition to the School Board and Budget Committee approximately 30 people were in attendance.

Mrs. Champey, Chair opened the meeting at 8:00 pm.

The Board reviewed the Budget Hearing on each money article.

**Article 2 – Bond Issue**

Shall the Timberlane Regional School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,407,212 for the renovation and construction of the schools in the District to include:

Atkinson Academy	HVAC and window/wall upgrades for improved ventilation and climate control in areas not previously upgraded
Danville Elementary	HVAC upgrades for improved ventilation in areas not previously upgraded
Pollard Elementary	HVAC and window/wall upgrades for improved ventilation and climate control in areas not previously upgraded
Sandown Central Elementary	HVAC and window/wall upgrades for improved ventilation and climate control in areas not previously upgraded
Timberlane Regional Middle	HVAC and window/wall upgrades for improved ventilation and climate control in areas not previously upgraded
Timberlane Regional High	HVAC and window/wall upgrades for improved ventilation and climate control in areas not previously upgraded

and to authorize the issuance of not more than \$4,407,212 of bonds or notes in accordance with the provisions of the Municipal Finance Act (RSA, Chapter 33) and to authorize the School Board to issue and negotiate said bonds or notes and determine the rate of interest therein;

and to further raise and appropriate the sum of \$150,000 to be gained from the short-term investment of the proceeds from the bond sales for the project and to raise and appropriate the additional sum of \$99,162 to pay for the first interest payment due on the bond and to authorize the School Board to take any and all actions necessary to carry out any vote hereunder or to take any other action relative thereto.

(3/5 MAJORITY VOTE REQUIRED)

**Article 3 – Operating Budget**

Shall the Timberlane Regional School District raise and appropriate as an operating budget, not including appropriations by special warrant articles and other appropriations voted separately, the amounts set forth on the budget posted with the warrant or as amended by vote of the first session, for the purposes set forth therein, totaling \$49,994,961. Should this article be defeated, the operating budget shall be \$49,465,328 which is the same as last year, with certain adjustments required by previous action of the Timberlane Regional School District or by law; or the governing body may hold one special meeting, in accordance with RSA 40:13, X and

XVI, to take up the issue of a revised operating budget only. Note: Warrant Article 3 (the operating budget) does not include appropriations proposed under any other warrant articles.

#### **Article 4 – Kindergarten Classrooms**

Shall the Timberlane Regional School District vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,096,000 to construct and equip kindergarten classrooms in Atkinson and authorize the District to accept Kindergarten Building Aid (\$398,862) from the State of New Hampshire for said purpose and further to authorize the District to withdraw the sum of \$399,750 from the existing School Building Construction, Reconstruction, Capital Improvements and Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund, the remainder to be raised by taxes in order to implement public kindergarten in the fall of 2006. This article will be null and void if the New Hampshire State Board of Education does not include mandatory kindergarten as part of the School Approval Standards.

*(It is expected that the New Hampshire State Board of Education will approve the recommended changes in the School Approval Standards (formerly known as the School Minimum Standards) in the fall of 2005. The revised School Approval Standards will supercede the district's Articles of Agreement and will require all New Hampshire school districts, including Timberlane, to provide public kindergarten in September 2007. \$798,612 from the article comes from existing state funds and existing funds in the District's Capital Reserve Fund and the remaining \$297,388 from taxes).*

#### **Article 5 – Capital Reserve Fund**

Shall the Timberlane Regional School District raise and appropriate up to \$100,000 to be placed in the School Building Construction, Reconstruction, Capital Improvement and Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund previously established, with such amount to be transferred from the June 30, 2005, undesignated fund balance.

*(The funds for the article come from the 2004-2005 school budget surplus, not from additional taxes.)*

#### **Article 6 – Middle/High School Track – By Petition by Albert W. Bradley, et al**

Shall the Timberlane Regional School District raise and appropriate the sum of \$120,000 to renovate and rebuild the track and to authorize the withdrawal of \$75,000 from the existing School Building Construction Reconstruction, Capital Improvement and Land Purchase Capital Reserve Fund. The balance is to come from the gate receipts and donations, **not from additional taxes.**

*(The project would include addressing safety issues due to deterioration of the track surface, fixing the erosion problem on the home field side of the track, rebuilding the asphalt and resurfacing the track. This project will not impact the tax rate.)*

**Motion by Mr. Stack, seconded by Mr. Paone**

**Voted:** for the School Board to recommend articles two through six on the public ballot.

**Passed:** Unanimous

**Motion by Mr. Baldwin, seconded by Mrs. Aubrey**

**Voted:** to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 pm

**Passed:** Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Danahy  
Recording Secretary