

**Hill Budget Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
February 21, 2018**

**Present:** Jerry Desrochers (Vice Chairperson), Tom Seymour (Selectperson), Charlie Estes, Bill Wilson, Shelly Henry (School Board), Kristen Cunningham, Denise Robie, Charlie Henry, Eric Herr, Paula McDonough Paul Meyerhoefer (Secretary)

**Absent:** Joe Mahoney Patrick McDonough

**SAU:** December Fortin (School Board), Cathy Viau (School District Clerk), Brian Connelly (Principal Jennie Blake) Michele Munson (SAU)

**Public:** 13 people

**Public Hearing For 2018-2019 Hill School District**

Jerry opened Public Hearing at 7:06 p.m.

Michele lead budget presentation for public.

With cost savings in Health Insurance, lower tuition rates from Newfound the school board felt some of these saving could go towards wage increases for staff. When compared to other schools with similar student enrollment Hill was among the lowest in wages for teachers.

Teachers with over 15 years would receive a \$ 3,000.00 adjustment, teachers with less years would receive a \$ 2,000.00

adjustment, part-time teachers would receive a \$ 1.30 adjustment, paraprofessionals would receive a \$ 2.00 hr. adjustment

Increase in hrs. for Special Ed. instructor to make full time there is a need for the extra hrs. Working on needs earlier could be a saving when students move to Newfound.

Changes in how some of staff wages were funded some of grant funding is now part of regular ed. Put para professional

on grant funding. Cost change on Psycholgy due to change in SAU.

Total cost for budget was lower than previous year but with loss of revenues there is a increase on the tax rate of an estimated \$.06

Question on School Enrollment ? Hill School 65 Newfound Middle 16 Newfound High 39  
1 out of District

Question on Student Teacher ratio in Hill School ? Roughly 12-13 to 1

Jerry went over revenues and warrant articles

Question on wording on funding in articles? Articles were approved by DRA

The warrant articles for funding are listed according to priority.

Jerry closed public hearing at 8:37 p.m.

**Meeting Notes**

Jerry open discussion on budget

Article 2 Shelly motion to recommend \$ 2,079,113.00 Charlie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous

Article 3 Shelly motion to recommend Charlie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was 9 yes 2 no

Article 5 Tom motion to recommend Eric 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous  
Need to specify year in article, will happen in March meeting

Article 6 Eric motion to recommend Charlie E. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous  
Not a Capital Reserve Fund change to Tuition Reserve Fund at march meeting

Article 7 Shelly motion to recommend Tom 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous  
Wording for March meeting

Article 8 Tom motion to recommend Charlie E. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous

Footnote : ( Articles are referanced by presentation of Hill School District Warrant 2018 )

Paula made motion to adjourn Charlie 2<sup>nd</sup> motion vote was unanimous  
Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Paul Meyerhoefer