

Town of Ridgefield Board of Finance Approved Public Hearing Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 27, 2023

I. Call to order

Dave Ulmer called the Public Hearing meeting to order at 7:00 PM on March 27, 2023 at East Ridge Middle School. Board Members Dave Ulmer, Greg Kabasakalian, Mike Rettger, Andrew Okrongly, and Joe Shapiro present.

II. BOE Budget

Dr. Susie DaSilva, RPS Superintendent, presented an overview of the FY 2024 BOE proposed budget, with a request of \$110,645,000.

III. BOS Budget

First Selectman Rudy Marconi presented an overview of the FY 2024 BOS proposed Town budget, with a request of \$51,622,483.

IV. BOF Information

Dave Ulmer, BOF Chairman, presented several exhibits pertaining to Town budget history and related data.

V. Public Comments

The following people each spoke in support of the BOE school budget:

Liz Carlin, Mallory Hill Road

Juan Salgado, Nod Hill Road

Christine Moore, Scotts Ridge Road

Jeff Eisman, Cattle Pen Lane

Mary Ellen Foley, Barry Ave.

Robin Collins, Lakeside Dr.

Gloria and Justin Driscoll, 9 Barnum Place (via email, received in advance of the hearing)

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Angela Rice, 237 Branchville Road (via email, received subsequent to the hearing) Jenn Evans, resident (via email, received subsequent to the hearing) Alison Price, Lewis Drive (via email, received subsequent to the hearing)

VI. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. by Mr. Rettger, seconded by Mr. Kabasakalian.

Respectfully Submitted by, Mia Belanger