

**GREENE CENTRAL SCHOOL
GREENE, NEW YORK
ANNUAL PUBLIC BUDGET HEARING
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021**

The Board of Education Annual Public Budget Hearing was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman and Superintendent Timothy M. Calice, in the Auditorium, Middle School/High School Building, 40 South Canal Street, Greene, NY.

CALL TO ORDER

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mr. John Fish, President
Mr. Seth Barrows
Mr. Andrew Bringuel
Mr. Brian Milk
Mr. Nicholas Drew
Mr. Scott Youngs

ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:

Mr. Douglas Markham, Vice President

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT:

Mr. Timothy M. Calice, Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Mark Rubitski, Business Manager
Mr. Bryan Ayres, Director of PE & Athletics, Intermediate School Principal
Mrs. January Pratt, Primary School Principal
Mrs. Penny Connolly, High School Principal
Mr. Dave Kendall, Facilities

OFFICERS PRESENT:

Mrs. Theresa Brant, District Clerk

- Also present was one (1) resident of the Greene Central School District.
- Superintendent Calice welcomed everyone to the presentation of the 2021-2022 school year budget.
- District Clerk, Theresa Brant, read the Notice of the meeting.

NOTICE OF MEETING

- Chairman and Superintendent Timothy M. Calice introduced Board of Education members present.

BOARD MEMBERS INTRODUCTION

- Superintendent Calice, BOE Member Seth Barrows and others complimented and appreciated the hard work done by the Budget Committee. It was noted that the ongoing budget updates as the process unfolded, helped employees and the community to understand the process each step of the way.

BOARD COMMENTS

- Superintendent Calice, presented the 2021-2022 budget and highlighted the following:
 - Thank you to the Board Budget Committee and Administration for their input into the budget process. The process continues to be stressful as there are no easy fixes and continue to be a challenge year after year. It is important that we focus on future years as each budget is prepared.

**PRESENTATION
2021-2022 BUDGET**

- The development of the budget is a long process where the Superintendent and Business Manager work with Board of Education members and G.C.S. Administrators.
- Each Administrator reviews their individual budgets and needs for the upcoming year and present their budget proposals to the Superintendent and Business Manager. The Board Budget Committee met with each Administrator to review their budgets and then reviewed the entire budget line by line balancing interests of all Greene stakeholders.
- Final budget decisions are made after N.Y. State passes the state budget in April and the anticipated amount of state aid to be received is known.
- The budget is developed annually with a multi-year financial forecast. The tax levy limit is calculated using a multi-step state mandated formula. While the tax levy limit (cap) is advertised as 2%, it varies from district to district depending on the outcome of the multi-step formula. Greene's this year is 1.42% - \$101,958.
- The 2021-2022 budget of \$28,671,998 represents a \$902,967 increase over the 2020-2021 budget. This increase is, in part, due to the sky-rocketing cost of employee health insurance. The budget maintains all student programs and services, extra-curricular activities and staff development opportunities without utilizing our fund balance.
- The budget as presented is a three-part budget; Administration = \$3,699,422; Program = \$18,955,594 and Capital = \$6,016,982.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS:

None

INTRODUCTION OF SCHOOL BOARD CANDIDATES

Superintendent Calice announced and recognized upcoming Board Candidates:
Mrs. Natalie McMahon
Mr. Brian Milk

He also reminded everyone of the upcoming District Vote next Tuesday, May 18, 2021 from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the lobby of our Auditorium.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman and Superintendent Timothy Calice adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Brant
District Clerk