

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:45 PM
Portland High School Media Center – 95 High Street

Town Clerk Michael Tierney called the meeting to order at 6:51 P.M. Thirty nine electors were present, including Board of Selectman Ryan Curley, John Dillon, Michael Hernandez, Shaun Manning, Michael Pelton & Jim Tripp. Board of Education members Tim Lavoy, Dave Murphy, Kimberly Nagy-Maruschock, Laurel Steinhauer & Meg Scata were present. Also present were Superintendent Charles Britton, Assistant to the Superintendent Stephanie Fragola, and Finance Director Tom Robinson.

A motion was made by Ryan Curley, seconded by Tim Lavoy, to nominate Shaun Manning as Moderator. Seeing no other nominations, a motion to close nominations was made by John Dillon, seconded by Ryan Curley. Shaun Manning was elected moderator by a unanimous vote.

Moderator Manning read the Call of the Meeting and instructed the Clerk to record the Call of the Meeting as published in the Rivereast News Bulletin on Friday June 7, 2024, and the Return of Notice, along with the minutes of the meeting.



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LEGAL NOTICE of SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:45 PM

Portland High School Media Center, 95 High Street, Portland, CT 06480

The electors and those persons eligible to vote in town meetings of the Town of Portland, Connecticut, are hereby warned and notified that pursuant to Chapter XII Section 1203.4 of the Town Charter, a Special Town Meeting will be held by the Board of Selectmen on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:45 P.M. in the Portland High School Media Center, 95 High Street, Portland, CT for the following:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves a supplemental appropriation to BOE General Fund Operating Budget in the amount of \$375,000 through an increase in estimated revenues to line item #01-000-000-00101-Education Cost Sharing Grant of \$48,917 and from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund of \$326,083.

A copy of the complete resolution to be voted on is available for public inspection in the Town Clerk's Office and on the Town's website at www.portlandct.org. Dated this 6th day of June 2024.

Attest:  Ryan J. Curley, First Selectman



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RETURN OF NOTICE

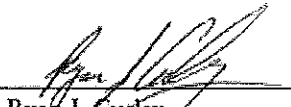
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT on June 6, 2024, I left a duplicate of the attached warning and notice of the Special Town Meeting of the Town of Portland, Connecticut with Michael V. Tierney, its Town Clerk.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I caused a copy of said warning and notice to be published in the RIVEREAST NEWS BULLETIN, a newspaper having a substantial circulation in said town on Friday June 7, 2024.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that I caused to be set upon the signpost or other place nearest the office of the Town Clerk and at all other places and signposts designated by the Town a written copy of said warning and notice.

I FURTHER CERTIFY that all the above acts were done before the holding of said Special Town Meeting on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:45 PM (Supplemental Appropriation to BOE General Fund Operating Budget).

Dated at Portland, Connecticut this 6th day of June in the year 2024


Ryan J. Curley
First Selectman

A motion was made by Jim Tripp, seconded by Ryan Curley to introduce the Resolution entitled "SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR 2023-2024 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET-BOARD OF EDUCATION" and to waive the reading of the following resolution.

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING RESOLUTION

Town of Portland, Connecticut

JUNE 18, 2024

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR

2023-2024 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET-BOARD OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is experiencing overages in fiscal year 2024 in purchased services due to not being able to hire/find an internal position for speech and language services that then needed to be provided by a contractor as well as the need for more physical therapy and occupational therapy services than were originally expected; and

WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2024 the Board of Education has had additional tuition costs to private sources and tuition costs to local educational agencies in state due to unexpected outplacements; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education is incurring more transportation costs for students due to the increase in unexpected outplacements; and

WHEREAS, due to the additional costs placing a significant strain on the Board of Education Fiscal Year 2024 budget, the Board of Education is requesting \$375,000 supplemental appropriation to the 2023-2024 General Fund Operating Budget-Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, revenues in Education Cost Sharing Grant (01-000-000-00101) have come in higher by \$48,917 than budgeted based on an adjustment by State; and

WHEREAS, an additional \$326,083 would be allocated from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund to cover the remainder of the Board of Education's request.

WHEREAS, in accordance with Chapter XII, Section 1203.4 of the Portland Town Charter a public hearing was held prior to Board of Selectmen approval.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen hereby approves a supplemental appropriation to BOE General Fund Operating Budget in the amount of \$375,000 through an increase in estimated revenues to line item #01-000-000-00101-Education Cost Sharing Grant of \$48,917 and from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund of \$326,083.

Moderator Shaun Manning called for discussion. There were no comments.

John Dillon called for a paper ballot vote on the Resolution, seconded by Ryan Curley. The vote was counted by the Moderator and the Clerk, and the result were: Yes- 30; No- 9; and 0 abstentions. The Motion carried.

A motion was made by John Dillon, seconded by Ryan Curley to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 P.M.

ATTEST



Michael V. Tierney, Portland Town Clerk

Dated at Portland, Connecticut, this 20th day of June, 2024