

# MINUTES

Cumberland Town Council Meeting  
Town Council Chambers  
**MONDAY, February 24, 2020**  
**5:00 P.M. Budget Workshop**

## 7:00 P.M. Call to Order

Present: Councilors Copp, Edes, Gruber, Stiles, Storey-King, Turner and Vail

### I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Councilor Gruber, seconded by Councilor Stiles, to accept the February 10, 2020 meeting minutes as presented.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

### II. MANAGER'S REPORT

Town Manager Shane said he would hold his report until New Business.

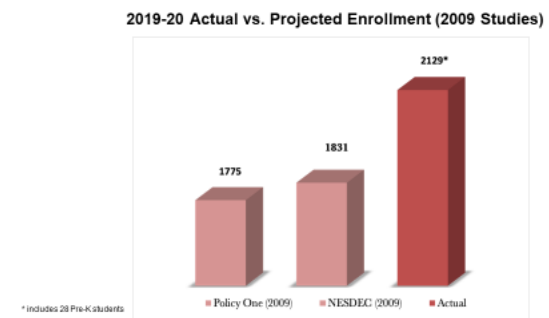
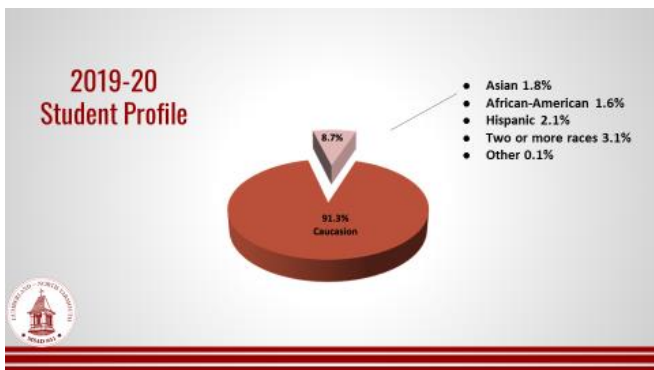
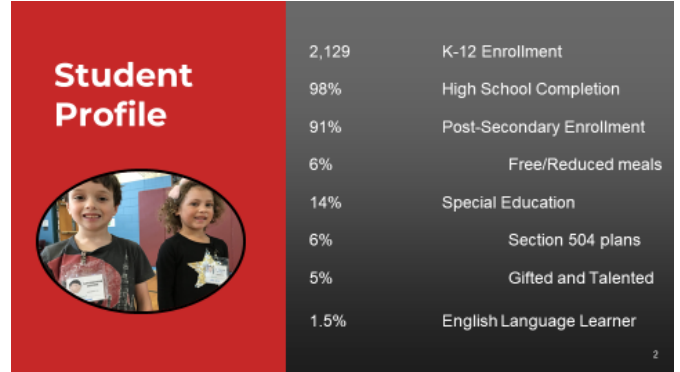
### III. PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

### IV. LEGISLATION AND POLICY

#### 20 – 006 To hear a report from MSAD 51 Superintendent, Jeff Porter re: FY2021 School Budget.

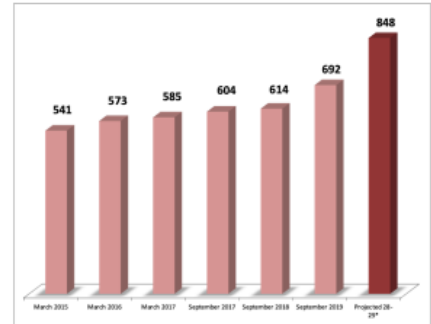
Superintendent, Jeff Porter presented the following:



## Enrollment Trend 2004 - 2019



## Enrollment at Mabel I. Wilson School

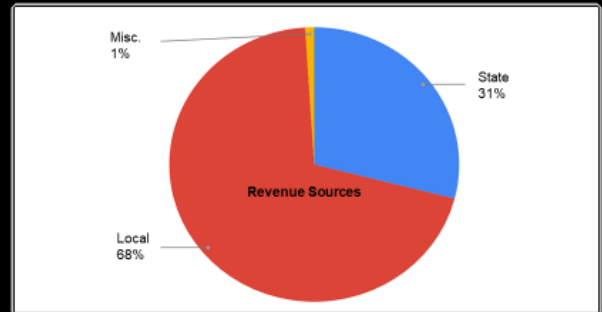


\* includes 28 Pre-K students

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## FY 20 Budget (Current Year)



## Maine's Essential Programs & Services (EPS) Model "Big 3" Impact Areas

State Funding Commitment  
Land Value

Enrollment



## State Aid Trend FY 2017-21



## FY 20 Budget (Current)

Budget	38,390,121
Increase	1,060,325
Increase over 18-19	2.84%
Total Revenue	12,083,699
Net Revenue Increase	777,885
State Aid Increase	961,000
Fund Balance	(200,000)
Assessment	26,306,422
Increase	282,440
Increase over 18-19	1.09%
Tax Rate	0.00%

## Per Pupil Cost (Tax Assessment)



The per pupil tax assessment amount is calculated by taking the gross budget, less revenue, divided by the total student enrollment.

FY 19:

12,738

FY 20:

12,706

**Decrease  
(32)**

This is especially important to point out considering that the district's enrollment has increased over this period by 31 students.



## FY 20 Cohort Expenditure & Tax Increase Comparison (Current Year)

District	Expenditures	Tax Increase
MSAD #51	2.84%	0.00%
Falmouth	5.50%	4.04%
Yarmouth	8.00%	4.30%
Cape	7.77%	7.00%



## FY 21 Early Forecast

Budget Rollout March 16 to MSAD 51 Board



## Cost of Maintaining the District's Resources



## FY 21 Budget Considerations

- State aid increase \$140,000 (flat)
- "Opening doors" 3%
- Debt service & temporary space 1.5%
  - Net debt service \$387,500 increase
  - Temp. space \$142,000 increase
- Total 4.5% increase before anything else

### Still Outstanding:

- Health insurance rate
- Teachers' negotiations



## Short-Term Capital Expenses

Summer 2019

- ☐ MIW modular classrooms
- ☐ MIW Playground expansion
- ☐ GHS art rooms, cafeteria, health, alt. ed.
- ☐ GMS sidewalk repair
- ☐ GMS cafe floor replaced
- ☐ GHS Pool locker room air exchange
- ☐ Gyger Gym exterior
- ☐ Main water line replaced

## Long-Term Capital Expenses

- ☐ Maintaining infrastructure
- ☐ New Primary School
- ☐ Bus Garage
- ☐ Turf Field
- ☐ Pool & Wellness



## Greely Center for the Arts

- Public Speaking Class
- English classes-presentations
- Various assemblies, class meetings
- Mid-term & finals presentations
- Special needs music class
- PTO Artist-in-Residence Performance w/Sayon Camara
- Poetry Out Loud
- Military Signing Event
- Skype with Scientist in Antarctica
- Maria Padian (Author)
- GMS Spelling Bee
- Fundraiser for Junior Class with entertainer Randy Judkins
- Fundraiser for Ski Team with Karen Morgan & Jim Colliton
- NHS Induction Ceremony
- Kinderkonzerts
- Poetry Jam
- Senior Project Presentations
- Japanese Block Print Exhibit & Presentation
- Maine State Music Theatre
- College Nights/Financial Aid Nights
- College & GAP Year Presentations

## FY 21 Budget Calendar

March 16	7 PM	Proposed FY 21
Budget Presentation		
April 6	6 PM	Board Budget
Workshop		
April 27	7 PM	Public Hearing
May 4	7 PM	Board Approval of
Budget		
May 21	7 PM	District Budget
Meeting		
June 9		Budget Referendum



**20 – 007 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on amendments to Chapter 315 (zoning), Article IV (lot regulations), Section 29 (lots abutting more than one street) of the Cumberland Code to clarify that corner lots may have a 30’ front on a private street if they meet the 50’ front on a public street, as recommended by the Planning Board.**

Town Manager Shane explained that corner lots require 2 fronts. The 2 front requirement can become a little problematic when the property is narrow and on a private road. The Code Enforcement Officer worked with the Town Attorney to come up with this amendment, which reduces the requirement for the front that is on a private road down to 30 feet. The Planning Board felt that this is a reasonable request and is recommending the amendment.

Chairman Storey-King opened the public hearing.

Public discussion: none

Chairman Storey-King closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilor Turner, seconded by Councilor Stiles, to amend Chapter 315 (Zoning), Article IV (lot regulations), Section 29 (lots abutting more than one street) of the Cumberland Code to clarify that corner lots may have a 30’ front on a private street if they meet the 50’ front on a public street, as recommended by the Planning Board

VOTE: 6-0-1 (Storey-King abstained) MOTION PASSES

**20 – 008 To award the Tuttle Road sidewalk project to Storey Brothers.**

Town Manager Shane said that this final phase of the Tuttle Road sidewalk project will connect from Main Street to Twin Brook. This project is a collaboration with the Town and MDOT. Storey Brothers was the low bidder and they have worked on a lot of Town projects in the past.

Chairman Storey-King asked for any public comment on this item.

No public comment.

Motion by Councilor Stiles, seconded by Councilor Copp, to authorize the award for the Tuttle Road Sidewalk Project to Storey Brothers Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$475,714.00.

VOTE: 6-0-1 (Storey-King abstained) MOTION PASSES

**20 – 009 To hear a report and set a Public Hearing date of March 9<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on accepting Red Mill Way as a public road.**

Town Manager Shane explained that Red Mill Way was previously accepted up to Meadow Way when the subdivision was built. Then it was discovered that there is a 300’ section of road that was not accepted by the Town as a public road when the Town purchased what is now Hawthorne Court. He is recommending March 9<sup>th</sup> for the Public Hearing.

Chairman Storey-King asked for any public comment on this item

No public comment.

Motion by Councilor Gruber, seconded by Councilor Turner, to set a Public Hearing date of March 9<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on accepting Red Mill Way as a public road.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**20 – 010 To hold a Public Hearing to consider and act on a Farm Based Special Events License renewal for Joanne Fryer of Mowfield Farm, LLC.**

Town Manager Shane said that there were 3 events at Mowfield Farm last year, with no issues.

Chairman Storey-King opened the public hearing.

Public discussion: none

Chairman Storey-King closed the public hearing.

Motion by Councilor Stiles, seconded by Councilor Edes, to approve the Farm Based Special Events License renewal for Joanne Fryer of Mowfield Farm, LLC.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**20 – 011 To set a Public Hearing date of March 9<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on a Class I and Mobile Auxiliary Liquor License application for Rachel's On the Green, for the period of March 29, 2020 – March 29, 2021.**

Motion by Councilor Edes, seconded by Councilor Stiles, to set a Public Hearing date of March 9<sup>th</sup> to consider and act on a Class I and Mobile Auxiliary Liquor License application for Rachel's On the Green, for the period of March 29, 2020 – March 29, 2021.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**Councilor Vail** – None

**Councilor Gruber** – Even though the Food Pantry was closed last week, we still received a number of donations. This community is amazing.

There was a neighborhood meeting for the Public Works garage project last week that was very well attended. We are getting some very good input on the project from the neighbors.

Tomorrow evening, the Finance Committee will interview the firms who bid on the LED streetlights.

**Councilor Edes** – None

**Councilor Stiles** – He continues his efforts to collect \$10 from 1,000 Cumberland and North Yarmouth residents for the 4-H fund that will benefit the Food Pantry with meat products and help support the 4-H club members by selling their farm animal.

**Chairman Storey-King** – The Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee met recently and is working on language that will spell out their duties and responsibilities. When their work is done, they will present it to the Council. They also reviewed the Recreation budget and are pleased with how well the department is running.

She also attended a Bicentennial Committee meeting. They will be presenting information in March.

Every summer, the Town advertises for Park Rangers at the Broad Cove Reserve. The Town Manager thought this would be a good part time job for some of our older residents.

**Councilor Copp** – None

**Councilor Turner** – Condolences to the Curneil family. Robert Curneil passed away recently. He was a reserve police officer in Town for a long time. He was a very good man.

**Town Manager Shane** – The Town Clerk's office has issued over 800 absentee ballots already. That is a lot. We are expecting a large turnout on the Super Tuesday election.

**VI. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilor Gruber, seconded by Councilor Copp, to adjourn.

VOTE: 7-0 UNANIMOUS

TIME: 8:13 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Brenda L. Moore  
Council Secretary