

**THOMPSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Via Zoom Online Meeting Portal

Special Budget Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 22, 2021
6:00pm

In attendance: Absent:
Kathleen Herbert
Shawn Brissette
Thomas Angelo
Danielle Carlson
Donna Godzik
Jody Houghton (arrived at 6:16pm)
Valentine Iamartino
Linda Jarmolowicz
William Witkowski

Also in attendance: Melinda Smith, Bill Birch, Robert Gentes, Chris Jones, Ian Polun, and members of the community.

I. Call to Order

Kathleen Herbert called the meeting to order at 6:01pm.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Donna Godzik led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Citizens' Comments

Linda Jarmolowicz asked if the Town could put the flooring in the high school as capital on their budget. Accreditation is coming to the high school in two years and it is important to have the floors re-done. Melinda Smith will send a letter to the Board of Selectmen with this request.

IV. Discussion

- a. Health Care Options – Kimberly Quigley from USI Insurance Services was in attendance and gave an update on health care carrier options for the Town of Thompson and Thompson Public Schools employees. Discussion was held regarding the different options.

V. Possible Approval

- a. Withdrawal from CT-CHIP Program -
Motion by Shawn Brissette, seconded by Linda Jarmolowicz, to withdraw from the CT-CHIP program.

Roll call vote was taken: J. Houghton – yes, V. Iamartino – yes, B. Witkowski – yes, S. Brissette – yes, L. Jarmolowicz – yes, T. Angelo – yes, D. Godzik – yes, D. Carlson – yes, K. Herbert – yes

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

VI. 2021-2022 Budget Presentation/Discussion #4

Melinda Smith presented the budget presentation to the Board. The Board made recommendations and edits to the presentation. The next meeting will be on Thursday, February 25, 2021 at 6:00pm to review the presentation again before the final version.

VII. Citizens' Comments

VIII. Adjournment

Motion by Shawn Brissette, seconded by William Witkowski, to adjourn the meeting at 8:26pm.

Motion – Passes. Unanimous.

Minutes submitted by: Danielle M. Pederson, Recording Secretary

Minutes Approved: March 8, 2021