Hampton Special Town Meeting Minutes

Thursday September 29, 2022

Hampton Elementary School - Gymnasium

1. Call to Order – 7:06 PM
   a. Ad-Hoc Committee Members Present: Hampton First Selectman Allan Cahill, Scotland First Selectman/Chair Gary Greenberg, Wendy Sears, Kathy Donahue, Juan Arriola.
   b. Citizens Present: Approximately 120 people.
2. To elect a moderator
   a. Hampton Selectman Bob Grindle made motion to elect First Selectman Allan Cahill as moderator/Kathy Donahue seconded.
3. To consider and act upon a request for an advisory, non-binding vote from the Hampton/Scotland Ad Hoc Committee for Interdistrict Cost Sharing, as to whether or not the Hampton Board of Education should negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Scotland Board of Education to open and operate a Hampton/Scotland Cooperative Elementary School, to commence at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year.
   a. Chair Greenberg presented a PowerPoint with general information about the proposed Cooperative Agreement.
   b. Wendy Sears presented a PowerPoint more in detail regarding budgets, data, graphs, class sizes, staffing level, etc. for the proposed Cooperative Agreement.
   c. Chair Greenberg stated the Referendum will be on October 11th, 2022 from 12 PM to 8 PM and answered some Frequently Asked Questions before opening the meeting up to citizens for questions.
4. Questions & Discussion
   a. Fifteen people inquired about and/or stated their opinion on the Cooperative Agreement.
5. First Selectman Cahill read the Referendum Question, being:
   a. **"ADVISORY, NON-BINDING ONLY: Shall the Hampton Board of Education negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with the Scotland Board of Education to open and operate a Hampton/Scotland Cooperative Elementary School, to commence at the beginning of the 2023-2024 school year?"**
6. Adjournment
   a. First Selectman Cahill made motion to adjourn at 9:25 PM/Susan Lovegreen moved/Selectman Grindle seconded. Adjourned at 9:25 PM.