

## Selectmen's Minutes

October 13, 2010

Present: Chairman A. Raymond Randall, Jr., Selectman Lisa J. O'Donnell, and Town Administrator Brendhan Zubricki. Also present were the Manchester Essex School Committee, the Manchester Board of Selectmen, and the finance committees from both Essex and Manchester, along with District staff members.

The School Committee Chairman called the joint meeting to order at approximately 7:35 p.m. in the Dining Hall of the Manchester Essex Regional Middle School/High School, as did the chairs of the other boards. The meeting was obviously being recorded as evidenced by a video camera and microphones that were set up and attended by cable television personnel. There was no one present from the public to offer any Public Comment initially.

School Committee Chairman Anthony Geidt gave a brief welcome message and provided some introductory remarks.

Each entity (the two towns and the District) updated the group regarding their respective forecast via Business Manager Avi Urbas (District), Finance Committee Chairman Jeff Soulard (Essex), and Finance Committee Chairman Jay Bothwick (Manchester). Mr. Urbas had the most detailed information to offer.

General discussion ensued and the group reiterated the almost certain need to seek Proposition 2 ½ overrides for several categories including the operating municipal operating budget, the District apportionment, and capital items. Various members of the public offered comments and asked questions of the officials present.

The group determined that a follow-up meeting should be held on December 1, 2010 to update figures and scenarios so that the dialogue among the three entities can continue into sound public education and budget planning, including override planning and estimating.

There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made, seconded, and unanimously Voted to adjourn the meeting at approximately 8:45 p.m.

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Attested by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Lisa J. O'Donnell