TOWN OF COLUMBIA FINANCIAL PLANNING AND ALLOCATION COMMISSION (FIPAC) SPECIAL MEETING with BUDGET WORKSHOP MOTIONS

Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm Town Hall Conference Room and Zoom Virtual Meeting 323 Route 87, Columbia, CT. 06237

Members Present: Jeff Viens, Chairman; Judi Jordan, Vice Chairman; Stephen Cooke, Art Rowbotham, James Chakulski, Kelly Peck.

Members Absent: Richard Szegda.

Also Present: Mark Walter, Town Administrator; Beverly Ciurylo, Finance Director; Barbara Wilson, Superintendent; Christine Sposito, BOE Vice Chairman; Paul Zator, BOE; Leah Osborn, BOE; Lauren Haberman, BOE; Judy Ortiz, BOS Deputy First Selectman, Steven Everett, First Selectman; Scott Leslie, Interim Superintendent.

FiPAC Special Meeting with Budget Workshop Minutes for March 27, 2024. K. Peck MOVED to APPROVE the FiPAC Special Meeting with Budget Workshop Minutes for March 27, 2024 as presented. J. Jordan SECONDED the MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6.0.

- A. Rowbotham MOVED to Accept the \$75,000 Board of Selectmen reduction to the 24/25 proposed budget as presented. J. Jordan SECONDED the MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 6.0.
- J. Vien MOVED to return the 24/25 proposed budget to the Board of Education for further review to reduce the proposed budget by the \$450,000 cut that FiPAC requested. A. Rowbotham SECONDED the MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5.1.0 with J. Chakulski OPPOSED.
- K. Peck MOVED to Send the 24/25 proposed Board of Selectmen and Board of Education Budgets to the Public Hearing on April 24, 2024 as presented inclusive of the FiPAC requested reduction of \$450,000 from the Board of Education budget. A. Rowbotham SECONDED the MOTION. MOTION CARRIED 5.1.0 with J. Chakulski OPPOSED.

ADJOURNMENT: J. Jordan MOVED to ADJOURN at 7:39 pm. A. Rowbotham SECONDED the MOTION. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted by Jennifer C. LaVoie