
RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

MINUTES OF May 12, 2008, 6:45 PM
BERKSHIRE BOARD OF EDUCATIO

SPECIAL MEETING
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CALL TO ORDER



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Manfredi, Mrs. Timmons, Mr. Honkala, Mr. Koster, and Mr. Miller.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Classified:

Motion made by Mr. Manfredi, seconded by Mr. Honkala, to approve Rhonda Lindsco for a two year Limited Contract for the Accounts Payable position for 2008/2009 – 2009/2010.

Roll Call: All Ayes. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Motion made by Mr. Honkala, seconded by Mr. Miller, to approve the resolution for the Permanent Improvement Renewal Levy as follows:

RESOLUTION:

The Board of Education of the Berkshire Local School District met in special session on May 12, 2008, commencing at 6:45 p.m., in the Cafeteria at Berkshire High School, 14510 Claridon-Troy Road, Burton, Ohio, with the following members present:

The Treasurer advised the Board that the notice requirements of Section 121.22 of the Revised Code and the implementing rules adopted by the Board pursuant thereto were complied with for the meeting.

_____ moved the adoption of the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING IT NECESSARY TO RENEW AN EXISTING PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT TAX LEVY, AND REQUESTING THE GEAUGA COUNTY AUDITOR TO CERTIFY THE TOTAL CURRENT TAX VALUATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE DOLLAR AMOUNT OF REVENUE THAT WOULD BE GENERATED BY THE

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RENEWAL LEVY, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 5705.03 AND 5705.21 OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, at an election on November 4, 2003, the electors of the Berkshire Local School District approved a 2.5 mill ad valorem property tax levy for five years for the purpose of remodeling, renovating and otherwise improving school buildings, furnishing and equipping school buildings, and equipping and otherwise improving school sites; and

WHEREAS, the authority to levy that 2.5 mill tax expires with the levy on the 2008 tax list and duplicate for collection in calendar year 2009; and

WHEREAS, this Board finds that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the tax duplicate will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the School District and that, in accordance with Section 5705.21(B) of the Revised Code, it is necessary to renew that tax as a levy in excess of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of "general permanent improvements"; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Division (B) of Section 5705,03 of the Revised Code, in order to submit the question of a tax levy pursuant to Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code, this Board must request that the Geauga County Auditor certify (i) the total current tax valuation of the School District and (ii) the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the levy; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Division (B) of Section 5705,03 of the Revised Code, upon receipt of a certified copy of a resolution of this Board declaring the necessity of the tax, stating its purpose, whether it is an additional levy or a renewal or a replacement of an existing tax, and the Selection of the Revised Code authorizing its submission to the electors, and requesting such certification, the County Auditor is to certify the total current tax valuation of the District and the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the proposed levy;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Berkshire Local School District, County of Geauga, Ohio, that:

Section 1. This Board declares that it is necessary to renew the District's existing 2.5 mill ad valorem property tax outside of the ten-mill limitation for the purpose of "remodeling, renovating and otherwise improving school buildings, furnishing and equipping school buildings, and equipping and otherwise improving school sites; as a 2.5 mill ad valorem tax levy for the purpose of "general permanent improvements", and that it intends to submit the question of that renewal levy to the electors at an election on November 4, 2008, as authorized by Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code.

Section 2. This Board requests the Geauga County Auditor to certify to it both (i) the total current tax valuation of the District and (ii) the dollar amount of revenue that would be generated by the 2.5 mill renewal levy specified in Section 1.

Section 3. The Treasurer of this Board is authorized and directed to deliver promptly to the Geauga County Auditor a certified copy of this resolution.

Section 4. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public, in compliance with all legal requirements including Section 121.22 of the Revised Code..

_____ seconded the motion.

Upon roll call on the adoption of the resolution, the vote was as follows:
