

**Springfield Township Board of Education
 Jobstown, NJ 08041
 Tuesday, April 26, 2016
 Agenda – Budget Hearing**

CALL TO ORDER	TIME	6:37PM
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A **Budget Hearing** of the Springfield Township Board of Education was held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Springfield Elementary School Library.

ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF

	Board of Education Member	Present	Late	Absent	
1	Joseph Bucs	X			1
2	Andrew Eaton, Vice President	X			2
3	Wade Hale	X			3
4	Kristen Lippincott	X			4
5	Michael Ramalho	X			5
6	Dennis Schmieder	X			6
7	James Specca	X			7
8	Jennifer Webb	X			8
9	Gregory Madia, President	X			9

Others present:

- [X] Craig Vaughn, Chief School Administrator
- [X] Bruce Benedetti, School Business Administrator / Board Secretary
- [X] Shawn Dennis, Educational Facilities Manager
- [] Asia Michael, Assistant Principal
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PUBLIC NOTICE

“The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to insure the right to the public to have advance notice of and attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.” Pursuant to the provisions of this act, the Springfield Township Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be publicized by having the date, time and place thereof sent to: The Burlington County Times, Springfield Township Clerk, Board of Education members, and posted in the Springfield Township Board of Education Office and Springfield Township Municipal Building.

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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The President led the Board and the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION OF 2016-2017 BUDGET STATEMENT

The Superintendent of Schools and the Interim Business Administrator reviewed for the Board of Education and public in attendance the details of the FY2016-2017 Budget Statement. The Superintendent of Schools gave a summary of new and returning educational programs while the Interim Business Administrator outlined budgetary trends and finances specific to the FY2016-2017 budget year.

PUBLIC COMMENT – 2016-2017 BUDGET STATEMENT

The President opened the meeting to the public on questions related to the 2016-2017 Budget Statement.

The public asked a series of questions regarding the development of the FY2016-2017 Budget Statement. The use of excess fund balance was questioned in particular. The Interim Business Administrator noted that the FY2015-2016 budget year large unexpended appropriations that were factored into the new budget.

The use of banked cap in future years was discussed. The overall goal of absorbing the debt service tax increase was met.

PUBLIC COMMENT #1 – SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) MINUTES

Before a matter is placed on the agenda, Administration has thoroughly reviewed it. Board Members preview the agenda items five days prior to the meeting and discuss questionable items with the Superintendent.

The Springfield Township BOE welcomes public comment during our public meetings. Public comment is not a question and answer session. Notwithstanding, members of the Administration and/or Board members may, with approval, choose to answer questions raised during public comment periods. If a response is requested, please provide your contact information on the sign-in sheet or contact the Administration separately.

Statements are limited to two, three minute time periods for a total of six minutes on any one topic. Public Comment #1 is reserved for agenda specific comments or

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statements and shall not exceed thirty (30) minutes. Public Comment #2 is for general comments or statements.

FINANCE AND BUDGET

A. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL BUDGET

TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION #15-16-BH-116-251-014

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2016-2017 SCHOOL BUDGET
PURSUANT TO PUBLIC LAW 2011, C. 202**

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-38 and N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-38 provide that a district's general fund tax levy shall not exceed the district's adjusted tax levy as calculated and that said budget shall be deemed approved once the submission is reviewed and approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education conducted a public hearing on the 2016-2017 school budget on **Tuesday, April 26, 2016** at which time taxpayers and other interested persons had the opportunity to be heard; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has heard and considered any and all public comment regarding the approve the 2016-2017 budget as presented; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Policy – 9120 PUBLIC RELATIONS PROGRAM, the Board of Education believes all reasonable means should be employed to keep the community served by the school district informed on matters of importance regarding district programs, finances, personnel, policies, and operations. The Board will determine which of its official actions have sufficient community impact and interest to warrant special release; the Board alone will release to the news media information about those matters of importance. In conformance with the provisions of the subject Policy the Board of Education shall release to the public information on the 2016-2017 School District Budget Statement; and

WHEREAS, changes have been made to the detail of the submitted budget in the area of staffing for the Director of Curriculum and Instruction as well as increased funding for occupational and physical therapy therefore STATEMENT B is appropriate for designation. The total budget amounts do not change from submission.

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State of New Jersey
Department of Education
Division of Finance

2016-2017 DISTRICT BUDGET
STATEMENT OF CERTIFICATION

DISTRICT: Springfield Township COUNTY: Burlington

After the hearing and adoption of the budget, the district will send this budget statement certification to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools/County Superintendent of Schools. Sign the statement pertinent to your district.

[] STATEMENT A

I certify that the **2016-2017** budget approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools/County Superintendent of Schools for advertising was adopted as approved after the public hearing.

Craig Vaughn
Chief School Administrator

Bruce M. Benedetti
Secretary, Board of Education

[X] STATEMENT B

I certify that the **2016-2017** budget was revised either by reallocating resources to other line items or by revising the total amount after the approval for advertising by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools/County Superintendent of Schools and adopted after the public hearing, and all changes are reflected on the attached School District Budget Statement.

Craig Vaughn
Chief School Administrator

Bruce M. Benedetti
Secretary, Board of Education

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I have reviewed the revised **2016-2017** budget adopted after the public hearing and have determined that the budget is approved.

 Executive County Superintendent/County Superintendent Date

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Springfield Township Board of Education, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the **2016-2017** school budget shall be approved and that the local tax levy amount shall be **three million four hundred fifty one thousand three hundred eighty dollars (\$3,451,384)** as follows:

Category	Amount of Revenue
Fund 10/11/12 – Current Fund	\$4,842,906
Fund 20 – Special Revenue Fund	91,102
Fund 40 Debt Service Fund	210,546
	\$5,144,554

Category	Amount of Appropriations
Fund 11 – Current Fund	\$4,841,531
Fund 12 – Capital Outlay	1,375
Fund 20 – Special Revenue Fund	91,102
Fund 40 Debt Service Fund	210,546
	\$5,144,554

**B. RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF MEDICAL COVERAGE
 WAIVERS FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR**

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RESOLUTION#15-16-RM-109-230-013

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF MEDICAL COVERAGE WAIVERS
FOR THE 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR
PURSUANT TO ARTICLE VII – INSURANCE, SECTION E. OF THE AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION
AND THE SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP EDUCATION ASSOCIATION [IN PART]
AND NEW JERSEY STATE EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM [IN
PART]**

WHEREAS, ARTICLE VII – INSURANCE, Section E., Medical Coverage Waiver provides that “Any employee may elect to accept a payment equal to 35% of the PPO premium for which they are eligible in lieu of medical coverage and/or a payment of 35% of the premium for which they are eligible in lieu of prescription coverage. The member must have alternate coverage.” ; and

WHEREAS the State of New Jersey, Department of Treasury, Division of Pensions and Benefits, Form HA-0109-0510p provides that employees in the School Employees State Health Benefits Program may elect to waiver medical and prescription benefits under the provisions that the “payment may not be more than 25% of the amount saved by the employer because of the waiver or \$5,000, whichever is less; and

WHEREAS, due to the bifurcated nature of the 2015-2016 medical and prescription coverage, the payment of waiver amounts are as follows:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	AMERI- HEALTH Jul 1 st – Oct 30 th	SEHBP Nov 1 st – June 30 th	TOTAL Jul 1 st – June 30 th
Batchler	Andrea	3,484	3,799	7,283
Buffa [†]	Denise	3,945	0	3,945
Csolak	Bridget	1,568	1,914	3,482
Dennis	Shawn	3,945	5,000	8,945
Kolev	Wendy	3,484	3,799	7,283
Palazzi	Alisa	3,945	5,000	8,945
Ricciani	Joann	3,945	5,000	8,945
Roats	Theresa	1,568	1,914	3,482

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Schleider ¹	Justin	3,945	0	3,945
Sepessy ¹	Patricia	3,484	0	3,484
Supple ¹	Renee	1,568	0	1,568
Webster	Deborah	3,945	0	3,945
	TOTAL	38,826	26,426	65,252

¹ Not Eligible for SEHBP Waiver Program

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township of Springfield Board of Education, County of Burlington, State of New Jersey, that the Interim Business Administrator is hereby authorized to issue payment as above detailed in the May 15, pay period.

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CERTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS

Category	Description	Amount
Expend Account #	11-000-291-290-000-000	
Account Title	UNDIST OTH EMBLY BENEFITS	
Certification Date	April 19, 2016	
Beginning Balance		65,252
Encumbrance Amount		-65,252
Ending Balance		0

Fiscal Notes:

Bruce M. Benedetti
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

***** **CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD SECRETARY** *****

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing **Resolution A** was duly adopted by the Springfield Township Board of Education, by the vote below indicated, at the **Budget Hearing Meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016** in the Library at the Springfield School, 2146 Jacksonville-Jobstown Road, Jobstown, New Jersey.

	Board of Education Member	Mtn	Snd	Yea	Nay	Abn	Abs	Nvt*	
1	Joseph Bucs	X		X					1
2	Andrew Eaton, Vice President		X	X					2
3	Wade Hale			X					3
4	Kristen Lippincott			X					4

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5	Michael Ramalho			X					5
6	Dennis Schmieder			X					6
7	James Specca				X				7
8	Jennifer Webb			X					8
9	Gregory Madia, President			X					9

Legend: Mtn = Motion; Snd = Second; Aye = Aye; Nay = Nay; Abn = Abstain; Abs = Absent; Nvt = Not Voting *Not Voting due to Conflict*. Quorum =

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing **Resolution B** was duly adopted by the Springfield Township Board of Education, by the vote below indicated, at the **Budget Hearing Meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016** in the Library at the Springfield School, 2146 Jacksonville-Jobstown Road, Jobstown, New Jersey.

	Board of Education Member	Mtn	Snd	Yea	Nay	Abn	Abs	Nvt*	
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3	Wade Hale			X					3
4	Kristen Lippincott			X					4
5	Michael Ramalho			X					5
6	Dennis Schmieder		X	X					6
7	James Specca	X		X					7
8	Jennifer Webb							X	8
9	Gregory Madia, President			X					9

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FACILITIES USE

Be it resolved that the Springfield Township Board of Education approve the following use of facility request, as indicated below:

Gymnasium-Home & School

Dates	Time	Person in Charge
4/29/16	5:00 pm-10:00 pm	Christine Sullivan
5/2/16	8:15 am-10:45 am	Kathy Stizza

MPR-Home & School

Dates	Time	Person in Charge
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5/6/16	5:00 pm-9:00 pm	Vicki Aaronson
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Gymnasium/Athletic Field/Parking Lot-Home & School

Dates	Time	Person in Charge
5/14/16	7:00 am-4:00 pm	Christiana Bucs

***** *CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD SECRETARY* *****

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED that the foregoing Resolution was duly adopted by the Springfield Township Board of Education, by the vote below indicated, at the **Budget Hearing Meeting held on Tuesday, April 26, 2016** in the Library at the Springfield School, 2146 Jacksonville-Jobstown Road, Jobstown, New Jersey.

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PUBLIC COMMENT #2– SHALL NOT EXCEED THIRTY (30) MINUTES

RESOLUTION TO ADJOURN	TIME	8:40 PM
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***** *CERTIFICATION OF THE BOARD SECRETARY* *****

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2	Andrew Eaton, Vice President			X					2
3	Wade Hale			X					3
4	Kristen Lippincott			X					4
5	Michael Ramalho			X					5
6	Dennis Schmieder			X					6
7	James Specca	X		X					7
8	Jennifer Webb			X					8
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Bruce M. Benedetti
 Secretary to the Board