

HAWTHORNE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
HAWTHORNE, NEW JERSEY
 Monday, April 30, 2018 – 7:00 P.M.
 Televised Budget Presentation
 Municipal Council Meeting Room

Time: 7:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PORTION OF MEETING BEGINS:

The New Jersey Open Public Meeting Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon.

In accordance with the provisions of this act, the Business Administrator/Board Secretary has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted on the bulletin board of the municipal building, communicated to The Hawthorne Press and filed with the Clerk of the Borough of Hawthorne.

ROLL CALL:	PRESENT	ABSENT	Time of arrival after meeting has been called to order.
Alex Clavijo	X		
Michael Doyle	X		
Abigail Goff	X		
Anthony Puluse	X		
Bruce Reicher	X		
Tania Sanford	X		
Victor Terraglia	X		
Louis B. Turco	X		
Mike Sciarra	X		

Also Present: Richard A. Spirito, Superintendent of Schools
 Trude Engle, Business Administrator/Board Secretary
 And approximately 13 members of the public.

FLAG SALUTE:

MEETING REGULATIONS:

During each regular meeting, two opportunities are provided for citizens to ask questions and to make comments. During the first opportunity, early on the agenda, comments are invited regarding subjects on this agenda. The second opportunity occurs just prior to adjournment, when citizens may address general questions and comments to the Board.

Persons wishing to speak must upon being recognized, rise, sign in and state their name and address. Each speaker will be limited to 5 minutes. The Board reserves the right to establish rules for the conduct of its meetings including such matters as the time at which the public will be heard if at all, who may speak, and for how long. All such rules shall be monitored by the presiding officer.

Please turn off cell phones.

Comments and questions shall be addressed to the Board President or the presiding officer, and shall be limited to agenda issues. If personal remarks or discourteous statements are made, the presiding officer may require the speaker to sit down.

PUBLIC BE HEARD - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION:

Alex Clavijo, Chairperson

BUDGET PRESENTATION: 2018-2019 Budget Power Point Presentation by Mr. Spirito

ACTION ITEMS:

Pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee on Finance and Administration recommends the following resolutions:

F-1. **APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET FOR THE 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

The Board of Education of Hawthorne hereby adopts the following proposed budget for 2018-2019 school year:

The proposed budget includes sufficient funds to provide curriculum and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the core Curriculum Content Standards, and is in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A and N.J.A.C. Title 6 and 6A.

<u>Expenditures</u>	
General Current Expense	\$41,403,146
Special Revenue Fund	1,275,107
Repayment of Debt	<u>1,211,608</u>
Total Expenditures	<u>\$43,889,861</u>
<u>Revenue</u>	
Budgeted Fund Balance	\$ 193,543
Local Tax Levy	
Current	37,849,284
Debt Service	1,020,130
Budgeted Fund Balance	
Debt Service	25,189
Misc. Revenue	12,449
Capital Reserve	466,500
Medicaid Reimbursement	39,260
Tuition	11,000
State Aid	
Current (includes extraordinary aide)	2,831,110
Debt Service	166,289
Special Revenue Fund	1,275,107
Total Revenue	<u>\$43,889,861</u>

Be it further resolved in accordance with N.J.S.A. 18A:7F-38(d) that the 2018-2019 school year budget includes the use of Health care allowable adjustment to offset the increases in Health benefits in the amount of \$465,000.

Be it further resolved, that the district’s general tax requirements to support the proposed 2018-2019 budget, as stipulated by the Hawthorne Board of Education Finance Committee and Hawthorne Borough Municipal Officials, as follows:

General Fund:	\$37,849,284
Debt Service:	<u>1,020,130</u>
Total:	\$38,869,414

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Hawthorne Board of Education approves the maximum School district travel expenditure in the amount of \$60,000 for the 2018-2019 school year. As of today the Hawthorne Board of Education has spent \$10,100.

Be it further resolved that included in budget line 620, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve – Excess Costs & Other Capital Projects is \$466,500 for Track Repair/Surface. The total cost of this project is \$466,500 which represents expenditures for construction elements/project that is in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the core curriculum content standards.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Clavijo thanked administrators, Business Administrator and Superintendent for their hard work on the budget.

Mr. Sciarra thanked the Superintendent and Business Administrator; discussion regarding why the budget needed to go above 2% and all the discussions and changes that ensued to arrive at tonight’s budget hearing.

F-1 – Moved by Mr. Clavijo, seconded by Ms. Sanford

- Ayes - Ms. Sanford, Mr. Reicher, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Terraglia
Ms. Goff, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Sciarra, Mr. Puluse, Mr. Turco**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - None**

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

At 7:30 p.m. Mr. Terraglia moved the board adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

- Ayes - Mr. Turco, Ms. Goff, Mr. Sciarra, Ms. Sanford, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Puluse,
Mr. Reicher, Mr. Terraglia, Mr. Doyle**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - None**

MOTION TO OPEN PUBLIC SESSION:

At 7:31 p.m. Mr. Reicher moved the board re-open the meeting, seconded by Ms. Goff

- Ayes - Mr. Turco, Ms. Goff, Mr. Sciarra, Ms. Sanford, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Puluse,
Mr. Reicher, Mr. Terraglia, Mr. Doyle**
- Nays - None**
- Abstain - None**
- Absent - None**

PUBLIC BE HEARD:

Ms. Tolomeo questioned teaming at the middle school, drama & dance programs, expanding budget and televised board meetings.

MOTION TO ADJOURN:

At 7:50 p.m. Mr. Terraglia moved the board adjourn, seconded by Mr. Clavijo

**Ayes - Mr. Turco, Ms. Goff, Mr. Sciarra, Ms. Sanford, Mr. Clavijo, Mr. Puluse,
Mr. Reicher, Mr. Terraglia, Mr. Doyle**

Nays - None

Abstain - None

Absent - None

Respectfully submitted,

Trude Engle
Board Secretary