

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Thursday, March 25, 2010, in the All Purpose Room of the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Michael D. Sapricono - President
Mr. Brian W. Fagan – Vice President
Mr. John DelGiudice - Trustee
Mr. Richard G. DiBlasio – Trustee
Ms. Linda Hurley – Trustee

Mr. Thomas J. Markle (left at 12:07 a.m. – 3/25/10)
Mr. Brian L. Conboy (left at 11:45 p.m.)
Mr. Kenney W. Aldrich (left at 11:45 p.m.)
Mr. Christopher Venator – Attorney (arrived at 8:42 p.m.)

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 p.m. As the first order of business, Board President Michael Sapricono led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN MEETING

None

OPENING REMARKS

None

**PUBLIC COMMENTS –
AGENDA ITEMS**

Superintendent Thomas Markle briefly spoke about the following:

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

He advised that he had heard from NYSCOSS. Contingency budget now at 0, as posted on the SED website - no longer a negative number

- Senate bill passed last week very similar to Governor's
- Assembly bill yesterday restores 600 million in education aid

Budget will not be done by April 1st.

Issue with use of turf fields

- Permit use of fields is for games and practices as well during permit time

Capital Project

- Technology servers moving along – work being done over spring break

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to approve acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings listed below:

CPSE/CSE

1. Recommend acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings of: 2/9; 2/22; 2/23; 2/24; 3/5; 3/8
2. Recommend acceptance of the determinations of the Preschool Special Education Committee Meetings of: 2/12; 2/22; 2/24; 3/3; 3/8.
No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
ARCHITECTURAL WINDOW
CHANGER ORDER 1 (MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Change Order No. 1 (Middle School) in the amount of \$14,620 to Architectural Window Manufacturing, Corp. for additions and deletions resulting in a contract increase, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Sub-contractor has been hired to install new electrical boxes for air conditioners that have to be moved up stairs. Charge back for broken sidewalks.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, HS) in the amount of \$228,619.86 to Cooper Power and Lighting, Inc. for High School electrical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HARBOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Harbor) in the amount of \$27,692.50 to Cooper Power and Lighting, Inc. for Harbor School electrical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Middle School) in the amount of \$29,877.50 to Cooper Power and Lighting, Inc. for Middle School electrical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MANOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Manor School) in the amount of \$24,106.25 to Cooper Power and Lighting, Inc. for Manor School electrical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
CORPORATE ELECTRIC CHANGE
ORDER 2 (PHASE 4 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Change Order No. 2 (Phase 4, HS) in the amount of \$12,450 to Corporate Electric Tech., Inc. for labor and materials to install electrical relays and gas shut-off control equipment at the High School, resulting in a contract increase, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
JANSON INDUSTRIES
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HARBOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Harbor) in the amount of \$24,091.05 to Janson Industries, Inc. for Harbor School stage renovation work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapracione - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
JANSON INDUSTRIES
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, HS) in the amount of \$10,489.90 to Janson Industries, Inc. for High School stage renovation work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapracione - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
JANSON INDUSTRIES
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MANOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Manor) in the amount of \$23,997.95 to Janson Industries, Inc. for Manor School stage renovation work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapracione - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
JANSON INDUSTRIES
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, MS) in the amount of \$21,846.20 to Janson Industries, Inc. for Middle School stage renovation work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Supraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
STALCO CONSTRUCTION
PAYMENT 12 (PHASE 2 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment #12 (Phase 2, High School) in the amount of \$158,934.85 to Stalco Construction, Inc. for High School general construction, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Supraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
STALCO CONSTRUCTION
PAYMENT 7 (PHASE 4 MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment #7 (Phase 4, Middle School) in the amount of \$356.25 to Stalco Construction, Inc. for Middle School classroom reconstruction, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Supraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
STALCO CONSTRUCTION
PAYMENT 6 (PHASE 5 MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment #6 (Phase 5, Middle School) in the amount of \$1,503.85 to Stalco Construction, Inc. for Middle School general construction, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
STALCO CONSTRUCTION
PAYMENT 7 (PHASE 5 HARBOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment #7 (Phase 5, Harbor School) in the amount of \$651.70 to Stalco Construction, Inc. for Harbor School general construction, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
STALCO CONSTRUCTION
PAYMENT 8 (PHASE 5 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment #8 (Phase 5, High School) in the amount of \$1,027.90 to Stalco Construction, Inc. for High School general construction, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapricono - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HARBOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Harbor) in the amount of \$2,632.50 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Harbor School mechanical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MANOR)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, Manor) in the amount of \$1,328.38 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Manor School mechanical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 MS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, MS) in the amount of \$4,011.33 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Middle School mechanical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION
PAYMENT 1 (PHASE 5 HS)**

Be it resolved, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Phase 5, HS) in the amount of \$3,147.21 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for High School mechanical work, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion
Michael Sapraicone - Aye
Brian Fagan - Aye
John DelGiudice - Aye
Richard DiBlasio - Aye
Linda Hurley - Aye
Motion Carried.

Notice of Allowance Expenditures for **Information Only**:

**CAPITAL PROJECT
INFORMATION ITEM -
NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE
EXPENDITURES**

- a. Plumbing allowance No. 1 (Phase 4, HS & MS) in the amount of \$6,194.30 to J.S. McHugh for performing casework and classroom renovation work at the Middle and High Schools within the planned allowance amount (\$10,000).
- b. Plumbing allowance No. 2 (Phase 4, HS & MS) in the amount of \$16,695 to FJC Plumbing for performing classroom renovation work at the Middle and High Schools within the planned allowance amount (\$25,000).

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to authorize the Board President to sign an engagement letter with R.S. Abrams naming them as the District's External Auditor for the 2009/10 report.

**RECOMMENDATION – RS
ABRAMS ENGAGEMENT
LETTER**

Costs and rates were briefly discussed. The cost \$35,100 went down. Audit Committee recommended having standard rates for additional work put into the contract.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to approve the following:

CONTRACTS

1. Recommend the Board of Education approve a health services contract with Uniondale School District for the 2009/10 school year for the District students who attend private and parochial schools in Uniondale.
2. Recommend the Board of Education approve a health services contract with South Huntington School District for the 2009/10 school year for the District students who attend St. Anthony's High School and the Long island School for the Gifted in South Huntington.

**UNIONDALE SCHOOL
DISTRICT - HEALTH
SERVICES**

**SOUTH HUNTINGTON
SCHOOL DISTRICT –
HEALTH SERVICES**

CONTRACTS (cont'd)

3. Recommend the Board of Education approve a health services contract with Jericho School District for the 2009/10 school year for the District students who attend Long Island Lutheran High School in lower Brookville.

**JERICOH SCHOOL
DISTRICT – HEALTH
SERVICES**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Superintendent Markle spoke about a new MSG Varsity Contract. If the contract were to be signed by April 30, 2010 there is the possibility of grants and scholarships.

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

Transportation hearing requested. They have an April 1st deadline – we would waive it.

Motion by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to approve the following:

FIELD TRIPS

1. Recommend the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip with the Regents and AP Physics classes to Six Flags in Jackson, New Jersey for Physics Day on May 28, 2010.
2. Recommend the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip with the high school band to a performance of Blueman Group in NYC on April 28, 2010.
3. Recommend the Board of Education approve the High School's request for a field trip to Liberty Island in Manhattan on April 29, 2010 to visit the Statue of Liberty.

Trips are all self-funded except for Security.

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Continued Discussion of 2010-2011 Budget Items:

DISCUSSION ITEM

- Superintendent Thomas Markle presented a list of cuts taken so far to lower the budget
- Governor has increased our summer Special Education contribution. Unemployment compensation will go up because we will be laying off employees
- Possibility of keeping Italian. We could expand it or just grandfather the current group in 7th grade
Italian program to go forward would cost \$57,000; \$40,000 to just continue with current group
- Current budget to budget would be 1.74%
This would be a tax levy of approximately 5.78 if we used our estimate of state aid
6.32 if we use Governor's state aid numbers
5.33 if we use Assembly's numbers
- Department Chairs – can lead teachers be used
Legally should be okay as long as offered to current chairs
Assistant Superintendent Brian Conboy explained our system of directors and chairs
- Budget Advisory Committee asked about keeping Varsity Cheerleading

Comments, Questions and/or Concerns Raised by the Public included:

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A Cheerleader asked why does cheerleading have to be cut and why is it not considered a sport
She also explained what cheerleading means to her: service, friendship and leadership
- A Cheerleader explained how competitions are the important part of cheerleading
- Could we save money on BOCES line of computer fiber optics services?
- Cutting sports, summer reading and band camp are things people will come out to vote for
Thinks vote will be close and staying positive is important
Athletic Director should look elsewhere to cut. Some High School teams pull up Middle School kids
- Cheerleading had a very successful year
- What do 4.9 teachers translate to? And 5 elementary?
- Another resident spoke in support of cheerleading – the number of students outweighs savings; numbers are growing in Seaford.
She suggested not going to away games to save money
- When we cut elementary technology how do we address standards?
She also asked about our expenditures for full-time kindergarten and State funding. Foundation aid has been frozen since 1st year. Full-time kindergarten is still not a mandated program. Will this be pushed back because of frozen aid?
How are grants doing?
Cheerleading should try to be recognized as a sport
- A resident stated she was upset over Math Clubs and Mathletes
- Band Camp is a necessity – new music wing for music
- A resident stated that she did not know Italian be might cut when her child signed up
Maybe cheerleading could cut fall season
- Italian commitment was made only for kids in program
Elementary Restructuring
What is happening with the Seaford Avenue School?
What role did Budget Advisory Committee play?
- How did you decide which ones to cut when going through the teams?
Did you consider salaries and equipment?

Mr. Conboy explained that 4.9 teachers – Math teacher in the High School, another retirement, foreign language and other partials. 5 Elementary is 2 classrooms, SAILS, technology teacher, reading teacher

**ADMINISTRATIVE
COMMENTS**

Areas covered in the discussion on Fund Balance included:

DISCUSSION TOPIC

- Next year Federal dollars will not be available
- If we take money from fund balance it is a gamble that Albany will give us more money to replenish it

Questions:

- Mr. DelGiudice asked if we could borrow money against the Seaford Avenue School in anticipation of a sale
- If we took \$200,000 more from fund balance we could add things back
- If we take money from unencumbered reserves could we put additional money from the State into that?

At 11:37 p.m., a motion was made by Ms. Hurley, second by Mr. Fagan, to adjourn the Regular Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations.

**ADJOURN REGULAR
MEETING**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. DelGiudice, second by Ms. Hurley, to adjourn Executive Session at 12:36 p.m.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

No Discussion.
All Ayes
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Hurley
Vice District Clerk