

MORRIS COUNTY VOCATIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF EDUCATION

March 23, 2023

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris County Vocational School District was held on March 23, 2023 at the Morris County School of Technology, 400 East Main Street, Denville, New Jersey and was called to order by President Barbara Dawson at 4:37 p.m. with a salute to the flag.

Presiding Officer President Barbara Dawson read the following statement:

"I hereby announce that adequate notice of this meeting of the Board of Education of the Morris County Vocational School District was given as required by the "Open Public Meetings Act" as follows:

Pursuant to Section 5 of the Open Public Meetings Act, adequate written notice was given to the official newspapers, the Star Ledger and Daily Record, by email on March 20, 2023 and a copy of the notice was posted on the bulletin board in the Morris County School of Technology, Denville, New Jersey by the Secretary of this Board and a copy of the notice was likewise filed in the Secretary's Office and a copy sent to the Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Morris County and the Clerk of the Township of Denville at the same time. Copies of this notice were mailed, by certified mail to all persons who have requested it, and the Secretary of this Board shall incorporate into the minutes of this meeting a copy of the notice as above set forth."

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board Members were present at roll call: Mrs. Barbara Dawson, Mr. John Hyland and Mrs. Hanna Roth Starr.

Also present were: Superintendent Scott Moffitt, Business Administrator/Board Secretary James Rollo and Board Attorney John Mills.

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC** (related to agenda items only) – NONE

**FINANCE**

The following motions made by Mr. Hyland, seconded by Mrs. Roth Starr, were recommended by the Superintendent of Schools to the Board of Education and approved as submitted.

1. Adopted the following resolution to certify the amount to be raised by the County of Morris for Capital Project funding:

WHEREAS, the estimated cost of the Building #1 Rooftop Unit Package is \$875,000, the estimated cost of various other HVAC replacements is \$201,000 and the estimated cost of additional construction expenditures of the Career Training Center Project is \$1,124,000 which will be funded through ARPA Coronavirus State & Local Recovery Funds allocated to the County of Morris for Capital Project Funding; and

WHEREAS, this Board recognizes the constraints of this funding and the timelines established by the terms of the U.S. Department of the Treasury in that all purchases must be made and all contracts must be in place prior to December 31, 2024 with all projects completed and items purchased in hand by December 31, 2026; and

WHEREAS, this Board has met and considered the said \$2,200,000 in Capital Project Funding and is satisfied that the sum is the amount of money necessary for the purposes set forth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Vocational School in the County of Morris, New Jersey, does hereby fix and determine that \$2,200,000 is the amount of money

necessary to be raised for these Capital Projects for the lawful school purpose consisting of, but not limited to, the Building #1 Rooftop Unit Package, various other HVAC replacements and the Career Training Center Project at the County College of Morris.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of School Estimate of the Vocational School be requested pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:54-31 to certify said amount established to be necessary for the purposes set forth.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the certificate of said amount so fixed and determined shall be prepared in accordance with law and one of the said certificates shall be delivered to said Board of Education and the other to the Board of Commissioners in the County of Morris, New Jersey.

TOTAL AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY COUNTY OF MORRIS                      \$2,200,000

2. Adopted the following resolution to certify an amount to be allocated by the County of Morris for capital project funding:

WHEREAS, the County of Morris has committed ARPA Coronavirus State & Local Recovery Funds to Capital Project Funding at the Morris County Vocational School District for projects identified through capital plan year 2025 including a Building #1 Rooftop Package identified in 2023 and estimated to be \$875,000, various other HVAC replacements estimated to be \$201,000 and the estimated cost of additional construction expenditures of the Career Training Center Project is \$1,124,000; and

WHEREAS, funding is available from unexpended funds through bond ordinances 968538 and 968584 previously approved by the County of Morris for capital projects at the Morris County Vocational School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morris County Vocational School District Board of Education does hereby request that the County of Morris amend these 2019 and 2020 bond ordinances to include the funding necessary to offset potential unanticipated differences in funding for these Capital Projects in an amount up to \$413,964.79.

Roll Call Vote – Yes: 3 Mrs. Dawson, Mr. Hyland and Mrs. Roth Starr  
No: 0  
Abstain: 0  
Motion Carried.

**HEARING OF THE PUBLIC - None**

**ADDITIONAL BUSINESS**

- Mr. Colasurdo has changed party affiliation and can no longer serve on the board of education. This information was reported to the Commissioners. The district is awaiting a replacement candidate.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Mr. Hyland, seconded by Mrs. Roth Starr, to adjourn the meeting at 4:44 p.m.

All present voted yes – Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

  
James Rollo, Business Administrator/Board Secretary