

April 27, 2020

The Stillwater Board of Education met on April 27, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. remotely via Zoom for a Public Hearing on the 2020-2021 School Budget.

The meeting was called to order by Dennis DeGroat at 6:00 p.m. In accordance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law, the time, date and location of this meeting appeared in the New Jersey Herald on April 21, 2020. Notices were posted in the Stillwater School, Town Hall, Stillwater Post Office, Middleville Post Office, Swartswood Post Office and Stillwater School website. Notice of remote meeting access due to current emergency situation regarding COVID-19 was also provided to the public on April 21, 2020.

Mr. DeGroat led the flag salute. The following Board members were present: Mr. DeGroat, Mrs. Svendsen, Mrs. Nothstine, Mrs. Williver, Mrs. Saul, Mrs. Kraft, Mrs. Galante, Mrs. LoCascio and Mrs. Thibault.

Absent: None.

Also present were William Kochis, Superintendent, René Metzgar, Business Administrator/Board Secretary, Marissa Cramer, Principal/Supervisor of CST and Special Education/Basic Skills, Cali Roberts Assistant Principal/Regional Curriculum Coordinator, and members of the public.

PUBLIC HEARING 2020-2021 BUDGET PRESENTATION

Presented by Mr. Kochis & Mrs. Metzgar- Reviewed 2019-2020 school highlights, introduced proposed 2020-2021 budget with detailed revenues and expenditures. Focused on program changes, building projects, state aid, and tax impact. The presentation is attached to the minutes.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

BUDGET & FINANCE

1. Motion to approve the final 2020-2021 school budget was made by Mrs. LoCascio, second by Mrs. Nothstine.

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Board of Education on March 16, 2020, and no changes are required for the adoption of the final 2020-2021 budget;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the 2020-2021 school district budget as follows:

<u>Expenditures</u>		<u>Revenues</u>
Charter School	<u>\$159,338</u>	
General Current Expense	<u>\$ 5,848,110</u>	<u>General Fund</u>

Capital Outlay	<u>\$ 752,501</u>	..Budgeted Fund Balance	\$ 334,219
Special Revenue Fund	<u>\$636,403</u>	..Local Tax Levy	\$4,520,290
Repayment of Debt	<u>\$ 0.00</u>	..Capital Reserve	\$601,000
		..Capital Reserve Int.	\$500
		..Misc Revenue	\$2,000
		..Tuition	\$30,000
		..State Aid	\$1,270,940
		...SEMI	\$ 1,000
Total Expenditures	<u>\$7,396,352</u>	Total General Fund:	\$6,759,949
		<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>	
		..Federal & State Aid	\$636,403
		<u>Debt Service</u>	\$0.00
		Total Revenue	<u>\$ 7,396,352</u>

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the following GENERAL FUND tax levy be approved to support the 2020-2021 budget:

General Fund Tax Levy \$4,520,290

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED as per N.J.A.C 6A:23A-7.3, the proposed budget provides for a maximum expenditure amount that may be allotted for travel and expense reimbursement. The maximum amount of travel and expense reimbursement for the 2020-2021 budget is \$15,000.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Stillwater Township Board of Education approves the use of \$149,249 in Banked Cap which will support instructional costs in the 2020-2021 fiscal year budget.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that included in line 600, Budgeted Withdrawal from Capital Reserve is \$601,000 for other capital projects. The total costs of these projects is \$601,000, which represents expenditures for the 1966 section boiler replacement that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards determined by the Commissioner as necessary to achieve the New Jersey Student Learning Standards.

This 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.

Motion approved by roll call vote, Mrs. Galante-Aye; Mrs. Williver-Aye; Mrs. Nothstine-Aye; Mrs. LoCascio-Aye; Mrs. Kraft-Aye; Mrs. Saul-Aye; Mrs. Thibault-Aye; Mrs. Svendsen-Aye; Mr. DeGroat-Aye.

ADJOURN

Motion made by Mrs. LoCascio, second by Mrs. Svendsen to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m. A voice vote was taken and unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,



René Metzgar
Business Administrator/Board Secretary