Special Meeting (via Zoom)

June 24, 2020

The special meeting of the Board of Education was held via ZOOM live videoconference. The meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by Board President Kellenbenz and opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Board Members Coons (entered meeting 6:44 p.m.), DelPozzo, Kellenbenz, Lincoln, Olsson, Provan, Superintendent Brown, Business Manager Bizzarro and District Clerk Anderson.

ABSENT: Board Member Repko

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| Board President Kellenbenz began the meeting by reading a resolution acknowledging Board Member Olsson for his four years of service to the district as a Board of Education member.  Board President Kellenbenz opened the floor to discuss the Capital Project walk through that the Board of Education took earlier this evening. Board Members were pleased with the progress of the building. Mr. Luis Rodriguez from The Palombo Group expressed that the project is still looking to be done by early September, with the exception of the pump house, which is expected to be completed by the end of October. Mr. David Sammel of CPL said that there will be a partial CO in place by the time school opens in September and will have the final CO when the pump house is completed.  Board Member Provan made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items as listed, seconded by Board Member Olsson, and carried 6 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions: II. a. Approve Agreement between the Germantown Central School District and NPORT, P.L.L.C. from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; b. Approve Agreement between the Germantown Central School District and Complete OT/PT/SLP Services, P.L.L.C. from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; c. Approve Agreement between the Germantown Central School District and the Advanced Therapy, P.T., O.T., S.L.P., P.L.L.C. from September 9, 2020 through June 25, 2021; d. Approve Agreement between the Germantown Central School District and SpecEd Solutions from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; e. Approve Agreement between the Germantown Central School District and Shaw, Perelson, May & Lambert, LLP, Attorneys at Law from July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021; f. Approve Budget Transfer in the amount of $84,508.12 dated 6-8-2020; g. Approve Budget Transfer in the amount of $32,292.00 dated 6-11-2020; h. Approve Budget Transfer in the amount of $128,350.30 dated 6-11-2020; i. Accept check from Central Hudson Valley League in the amount of $50.00 representing the Girls’ Varsity Basketball Team being named the 2019-2020 CHVL Champions, and deposit into account CM2705 Sport (donations); j. Accept bid from P & J (Postler & Jaeckle Corp.) for the following contracts for the 2020-2021 school year: Air Conditioning $5,234.00, Boiler $5,818.00, and Refrigeration $2,678.00; k. Accept fixed price of $1.456 from Valley Energy for Ultra Low Sulfur heating oil for the 2020-2021 school year; l. Accept fluctuating price of $1.441 from Valley Energy for diesel fuel for the 2020-2021 school year; m. Certify the results of the budget vote on Tuesday, June 9, 2020: Proposition I (Budget) 779 Yes votes; 488 No votes; Mr. Ralph DelPozzo 670 votes; Mrs. Allison Meek 619 votes; Mr. Lester Olsson 588 votes; Mr. Ira Sher 439 votes; n. Approve Graduation 2020 Outside Proposal, already approved by the school district’s Attorney, Utica National Insurance Company, Columbia County Chairperson, Department of Health and Emergency Management; o. Modify the 2019-2020 school year calendar to make June 17, 2020 the last day of school for students and June 18, 2020 a Superintendent’s Conference Day.  Board Member Olsson made a motion to adopt the following resolution, seconded by Board Member Provan, and carried 6 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions:  **“WHEREAS,** the Board of Education has previously established an Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund (EBALR Fund) for the purpose of paying the costs of certain employee benefits (defined as the cash payment of the monetary value of accrued and accumulated but unused and unpaid sick leave, personal leave, holiday leave, vacation, time allowances in lieu of overtime compensation and other forms of payment for accrued but unliquidated time earned by municipal employees and payable upon termination of service); and  **WHEREAS,** the payments were made from the District’s General Fund Budget for such employee benefits and now must be reimbursed from the EBALR Fund;  **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Board hereby appropriates and makes transfers from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund to the General Fund, in the aggregate amount of $13,877 to repay the General Fund for the payment of employee benefits (sick days) during the 2019-2020 school year.  **FROM: Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve $13,877**  **TO: General Fund $13,877**  **AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** that the Board of Education modifies the 2019-2020 general fund budgetary appropriations by the sum of $13,877 and authorizes the School Business Manager to appropriate the funds as specified in this resolution.”  Board President Kellenbenz opened the floor to discuss in-person Board of Education meetings beginning on July 8, 2020. All Board of Education Members agreed to begin having in-person Board of Education meetings. It was decided that the Board of Education meetings would take place in the high school gymnasium starting July 8, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. All appropriate health and safety procedures will be followed accordingly.  Board Member Lincoln made a motion to adjourn the Special meeting of the Board of Education at 6:56 p.m., seconded by Board Member Coons, and carried 6 ayes, 0 noes, and 0 abstentions.  Respectfully submitted,  Linda Anderson  District Clerk | **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LESTER OLSSON**  **CAPITAL PROJECT UPDATE**  **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**  **APPROVE RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH AN EBALR FUND**  **DISCUSSION OF**  **IN-PERSON BOE MEETINGS**  **ADJOURNMENT** |