

BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
April 14, 2021
5:50 p.m.
Forum Room, Secondary Building
Crosby, MN

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Special meeting of the Board of Education was held in the Forum Room, Secondary School Building, at 6:00 p.m. on April 15, 2021 with Chair Mike Domin presiding.

Members Present: Barb Neprud, Mike Domin, Abby Geotz, Kim Coughlin and Superintendent Jamie Skjeveland. Joe Dwyer and Jillian Decent were absent.

Chair Domin called the meeting to order at 5:50 p.m.

Approve Agenda-Motion by Geotz, second by Coughlin to approve the agenda. All voting aye, and the motion carried.

Award Bids for CTE Wing Remodeling Summer of 2021 – Motion by Neprud, second by Geotz, to award the bids for Phase II remodeling of the CTE Wing at the high school, note including Alternate #1 or Alternate #3 of the bids (FACS room remodeling will not be done in the summer of 2021). *Copy of bid tabulation in legal minute book.* All voting aye, and the motion carried.

Adopt Resolution to Extend Deadline for Leaves Granted by the Families First Coronavirus Recovery Act and the American Rescue Plan Act - Motion by Geotz, second by Coughlin to adopt the Resolution to Extend Deadline for Leaves Granted by the Families First Coronavirus Recovery Act and the American Rescue Plan Act. *Copy in legal minute book.* All voting aye, and the motion carried.

Budget Assumptions and Projected Budget Deficit for 2021-2022, including Update from April 12, 2021 Finance Committee Meeting – The Board reviewed the interactive projection model and assumptions currently being used within the projection model. Those assumptions project an unassigned fund balance deficit in the General Fund of \$815,000 for 2021-2022 and \$888,000 for 2022-2023. These factors do not include consideration of federal COVID-related funds, as guidance is pending on ESSER-2, GEER-2 and ESSER-3 at this time.

Operating Referendum Presentation by Ehlers – The Board heard an operating referendum presentation from their Municipal Financial Advisors at Ehlers. The presentation provided a background on operating referendum criteria, examined several potential operating referendum scenarios and the tax impact of each, and outlined key dates and timelines that would need to be met in the event that the Board approved an operating referendum election for November 2, 2021.

Discussions Regarding Strategies to Balance the Budget Short- and Long-Term – The Board discussed options associated with increasing revenue or decreasing expenditures in order to eliminate the projected budgeted deficits and preserve and maintain an adequate unassigned fund balance in the General Fund.

Discuss Communications with Legislators – This item was deferred to a future meeting.

The next regular board meeting will be April 26, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. in the Forum Room.

Adjourn-Motion by Geotz, second by Coughlin to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 p.m. All voting aye, and the motion carried

Recorded by William Tollefson

Abby Geotz, Clerk