

EXTRACT OF MINUTES OF MEETING
OF SCHOOL BOARD
OF INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 726
(BECKER PUBLIC SCHOOLS)
STATE OF MINNESOTA

HELD: JULY 1, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the School Board of Independent School District No. 726 (Becker Public Schools), State of Minnesota, was duly held in said school district on July 1, 2019, at ____ o'clock p.m., for the purpose, in part, of calling an election to renew the existing referendum revenue authorization of the School District and to renew the existing capital project levy authorization of the school district.

The following members were present:

and the following were absent:

Member _____ introduced the following resolution

and moved its adoption:

RESOLUTION RELATING TO INCREASING THE GENERAL EDUCATION REVENUE OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, APPROVING A NEW REFERENDUM REVENUE AUTHORIZATION OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, RENEWING THE EXPIRING CAPITAL PROJECT LEVY AUTHORIZATION FOR TECHNOLOGY OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND CALLING AN ELECTION THEREON

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Independent School District No. 726, State of Minnesota, as follows:

1. (a) The Board hereby determines and declares that it is necessary and expedient for the school district to increase its general education revenue by \$525.26 per adjusted pupil unit. A portion of this proposed referendum revenue authorization (\$415.26 per adjusted pupil unit) would renew the school district's existing authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2019. As provided by law, the ballot question must abbreviate the term "per adjusted pupil unit" as "per pupil." The additional revenue will be used to finance school operations and the property tax portion thereof will require an estimated referendum tax rate of approximately 0.09331% of the referendum market value of the school district for taxes payable in 2020, the first year it is to be levied. The proposed

referendum revenue authorization would increase each year by the rate of inflation and be applicable for ten (10) years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law. For this purpose, the rate of inflation shall be the annual inflationary increase calculated under Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, Subdivision 2, paragraph (b). The question on the approval of the renewal of this referendum revenue authorization shall be School District Question 1 on the school district ballot at the special election held to approve said authorization.

(b) The Board hereby determines and declares that it is necessary and expedient for the school district to submit a capital project levy authorization for technology to the voters for their approval. This authorization would renew the school district's existing authorization which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2019. The renewed authorization will be in the amount of 1.8340% times the net tax capacity of the school district, will raise approximately \$494,215 for taxes payable in 2020, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten (10) years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded by the renewed capital project levy authorization during that time period is approximately \$4,942,150. The money raised by this authorization will provide funds for the acquisition, installation and maintenance of instructional technology. The program will be commenced prior to November 1, 2024, which date is not more than five (5) years from the date of the special election authorizing the renewal of the capital project levy authorization. The question on the renewal of the capital project levy authorization for technology shall be School District Question 2 on the school district ballot at the special election held to approve said authorization.

2. The ballot questions of the school district shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the school district at a special election, which is hereby called and directed to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, between the hours of 7:00 o'clock a.m. and 8:00 o'clock p.m. This date is a uniform election date specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.05.

3. Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Section 205A.11, the school district combined polling place and the precincts served by that polling place, as previously established and designated by school board resolution adopted on November 13, 2018 for school district elections not held on the day of a statewide election during calendar year 2019, is hereby designated for this special election.

4. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause written notice of said special election to be provided to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located, in whole or in part, and to the Commissioner of Education, at least seventy-four (74) days before the date of said election. The notice shall specify the date of said special election and the title and language for each ballot question to be voted on at said special election. Any notice given prior to the date of the adoption of this resolution is ratified and confirmed in all respects.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least ten (10) days before the date of said special election.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a sample ballot to be posted at the administrative offices of the school district at least four (4) days before the date of said special election and to cause two sample ballots to be posted at the combined polling place on election day. The sample ballot shall not be printed on the same color paper as the official ballot.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of said special election to be published in the official newspaper of the school district, for two (2) consecutive weeks with the last publication being at least one (1) week before the date of the election.

The notice of election so posted and published shall state each question to be submitted to the voters as set forth in the form of ballot below, and shall include information concerning each established precinct and polling place.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the rules and instructions for use of the optical scan voting system to be posted in the combined polling place on election day.

The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause a notice of the election to be mailed to each taxpayer in the school district at least fifteen (15) but no more than thirty (30) days prior to the date of the special election. The notice shall contain the required projections and the required statement specified in Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.17, subdivision 9, paragraph (b). The clerk is also directed to cause a copy of this notice to be submitted to the Commissioner of Education and to the county auditor of each county in which the school district is located in whole or in part at least fifteen (15) days prior to the day of the election.

The clerk is authorized and directed to acquire and distribute such election materials and to take such other actions as may be necessary for the proper conduct of this special election and generally to cooperate with election authorities conducting other elections on that date.


5. The clerk is further authorized and directed to cooperate with the proper election officials to cause ballots to be prepared for use at said election in substantially the following form, with such changes in form and instructions as may be necessary to accommodate the use of an optical scan voting system:

Special Election Ballot

Independent School District No. 726 (Becker Public Schools)

November 5, 2019

Instructions to Voters:

To vote, completely fill in the oval(s) next to your choice(s) like this: .

To vote for a question, fill in the oval next to the word "Yes" on that question.
To vote against a question, fill in the oval next to the word "No" on that question.

School District Question 1 Approval of School District Referendum Revenue Authorization

The board of Independent School District No. 726 (Becker Public Schools) has proposed to increase its general education revenue by \$525.26 per pupil. A portion of this proposed new authorization would replace its existing referendum revenue authorization of \$415.26 per pupil which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2019. The proposed referendum revenue authorization would increase each year by the rate of inflation and be applicable for ten years unless otherwise revoked or reduced as provided by law.

Yes Shall the increase in the revenue proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 726 be approved?

No

**BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU
ARE VOTING FOR A PROPERTY INCREASE.**

School District Question 2
Renewal of Capital Project Levy
Authorization for Technology

The board of Independent School District No. 726 (Becker Public Schools) has proposed a capital project levy authorization of 1.8340% times the net tax capacity of the school district. This authorization would renew the school district's existing capital project levy authorization for technology which is scheduled to expire after taxes payable in 2019. The money raised by this authorization will provide funds for the acquisition, installation and maintenance of instructional technology. The proposed capital project levy authorization will raise approximately \$494,215 for taxes payable in 2020, the first year it is to be levied, and would be authorized for ten years. The estimated total cost of the projects to be funded over that time period is approximately \$4,942,150.

Yes

Shall the capital project levy authorization proposed by the board of Independent School District No. 726 be approved?

No

BY VOTING "YES" ON THIS BALLOT QUESTION, YOU ARE VOTING TO RENEW AN EXISTING CAPITAL PROJECTS REFERENDUM THAT IS SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE.

Optical scan ballots must be printed in black ink on white colored material, except that marks to be read by the automatic tabulating equipment may be printed in another color ink. The name of the precinct and machine-readable identification must be printed on each ballot. Voting instructions must be printed at the top of the ballot on each side that includes ballot information. The instructions must include an illustration of the proper mark to be used to indicate a vote. Lines for initials of at least two election judges must be printed on one side of the ballot so that the judges' initials are visible when the ballots are enclosed in a secrecy sleeve.

6. If the school district will be contracting to print the ballots for this special election, the clerk is hereby authorized and directed to prepare instructions to the printer for layout of the ballot. Before a contract exceeding \$1,000 is awarded for printing ballots, the printer, at the request of the election official, shall furnish, in accordance with Minnesota Statutes, Section 204D.04, a sufficient bond, letter of credit, or certified check acceptable to the clerk in an amount not less than \$1,000 conditioned on printing the ballots in conformity with the Minnesota election law and the instructions delivered. The clerk shall set the amount of the bond, letter of credit, or certified check in an amount equal to the value of the purchase.

7. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to provide for testing of the optical scan voting system within fourteen (14) days prior to the election date. The clerk shall cause notice of the time and place of the test to be given at least two (2) days in advance by publishing the Notice of Testing once in the official newspaper and by causing the notice to be posted in the administrative offices of the school district, the office of the County Auditor and the office of any other local election official conducting the test.

8. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause notice of the location of the counting center or the place where the ballots will be counted to be published in the official newspaper at least once during the week preceding the week of the election and in the newspaper of widest circulation once on the day preceding the election, or once the week preceding the election if the newspaper is a weekly.

9. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 203B.121, the Board hereby establishes a ballot board to process, accept and reject absentee ballots at school district elections not held in conjunction with the state primary or state general election or that are conducted by a municipality on behalf of the school district and generally to carry out the duties of a ballot board as provided by Minnesota Statutes, Section 203B.121 and other applicable laws. The ballot board must consist of a sufficient number of election judges trained in the handling of absentee ballots. The ballot board may include deputy county auditors and deputy city clerks who have received training in the processing and counting of absentee ballots. The clerk or the clerk's designee is hereby authorized and directed to appoint the members of the ballot board. The clerk or the clerk's designee shall establish, maintain and update a roster of members appointed to and currently serving on the ballot board and shall report to the Board from time to time as to its status. Each member of the ballot board shall be paid reasonable compensation for services rendered during an election

at the same rate as other election judges; provided, however, if a staff member is already being compensated for regular duties, additional compensation shall not be paid for ballot board duties performed during that staff member's duty day.

10. The clerk is hereby authorized and directed to begin assembling names of trained election judges to serve at the combined polling place during the November 5, 2019 special election. The election judges shall act as clerks of election, count the ballots cast, and submit the results to the school board for canvass in the manner provided for other school district elections. The election must be canvassed between the third and the tenth day following the election.

11. The School District clerk shall make all Campaign Financial Reports required to be filed with the school district under Minnesota Statutes, Section 211A.02, available on the school district's website. The clerk must post the report on the school district's website as soon as possible, but no later than thirty (30) days after the date of the receipt of the report. The school district must make a report available on the school district's website for four years from the date the report was posted to the website. The clerk must also provide the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board with a link to the section of the website where reports are made available.

12. If the capital project levy authorization proposed in School District Question 2 is approved, a capital project referendum account shall be created as a separate account in the general fund of the school district. All proceeds from the capital project levy must be deposited in the capital project referendum account. Interest income attributable to the capital project referendum account must be credited to the capital project referendum account. Money in the capital project referendum account may be used only for the costs of acquisition and betterment of the approved projects. As required by Minnesota Statutes, Section 123B.71, subdivision 8, the Board hereby determines and states that the funds approved by the voters for said authorization will only be used as authorized in Minnesota Statutes, Section 126C.10, subdivision 14. The funds in the capital project referendum account may be accumulated and not be expended until sufficient funds are available, may be accumulated and not be expended until additional funds from a bond issue are available, or may be expended on an ongoing basis for approved project costs. Any funds remaining in the capital project referendum account that are not applied to the payment of the costs of the approved projects before their final completion shall be transferred to the school district's debt redemption fund.

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly seconded by _____ and upon vote being taken thereon the following voted in favor thereof:

and the following voted against the same:

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

STATE OF MINNESOTA)
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COUNTY OF SHERBURNE)

I, the undersigned, being the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Independent School District No. 726 (Becker Public Schools), State of Minnesota, hereby certify that the attached and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of the minutes of a meeting of the school board of said school district duly called and held on the date therein indicated, so far as such minutes relate to the calling of a special election of said school district, and that the resolution included therein is a full, true and correct copy of the original thereof.

WITNESS MY HAND officially as such clerk this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Clerk

