

SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, September 20, 2007

Chair Pagel called the special meeting of the Dover-Eyota Board of Education, District #533, to order at 6:15 PM in the Dover-Eyota High School Media Center. Board members present: Don Andring (6:20 PM), Judy Brandt, Dan Johnson, Ed Kaehler, Gene Loftus, Ron Pagel, Gary Pedersen, and Superintendent Bruce Klaehn. Absent: none. Also in attendance were John Benike, Wayne Ellringer, Gary Franzen, Jerry Halloran, John McGwinn, Troy Miller, Brent Ogne, Greg Osterhaus and Deb Rathman.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approve Agenda

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Brandt and carried unanimously to approve the agenda.

2007 Payable 2008 Proposed Levy Approval

A motion was made by Member Kaehler, seconded by Member Johnson and carried unanimously to table the 2007 Payable 2008 Proposed Levy Approval until after the Contractor Presentation and ESG Presentation.

Construction Manager/Independent Contractor Presentation

Presenters included John Benike and John McGwinn (Alvin Benike, Inc.), Brent Ogne and Greg Osterhaus (Parsons) and Troy Miller and Deb Rathman (DLR Group). Each company gave a 20-minute presentation to the Board, followed by a question session with all three companies present. No Board action was taken.

Energy Services Group Presentation

Jerry Halloran of the Energy Services Group, High School Director of Custodial Services Gary Franzen and Elementary Director of Custodial Services Wayne Ellringer talked about the ESG proposal. The Board discussed various technical and financial aspects of the proposed project with Mr. Halloran and an associate from ESG. No Board action was taken.

2007 Payable 2008 Proposed Levy Approval

A motion was made by Member Kaehler, seconded by Member Johnson and carried unanimously to return to Agenda Item #3, 2007 Payable 2008 Proposed Levy Approval.

A motion was made by Member Johnson to schedule another special Board meeting to further discuss the item. The motion was not seconded.

A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Loftus and carried unanimously to extend the current session to address approval of the proposed levy for taxes payable in 2008 until Monday, September 24, 2007 beginning at 8:00 PM.

At 8:31 PM on Monday, September 24, 2007, a motion was made by Member Andring, seconded by Member Johnson and carried unanimously to resume the Special Board Meeting.

In attendance were all Board Members, Superintendent Klaehn and Chris Berg.

Chair Pagel reiterated the need for an open discussion regarding the levy and the bond referendum and the fact that the Board had been elected to "look out" for the concern of the district and students.

Supt. Klaehn explained the documents provided including one that relayed the tax impact for various levy options.

An extensive discussion followed regarding the levy and the upcoming bond referendum.

Member Pedersen made a motion to postpone the \$9.0 million bond referendum vote set for December 11, 2007. Member Andring seconded the motion. A lengthy discussion included the following:

- the pros and cons of a postponement
- the timing of the vote as it related to recent events (flooding, increased levy)
- the need to proceed with the vote as scheduled
- the fact that the need would still exist and additional facilities would be required by the Fall of 2009
- the possibility of holding a community meeting to communicate the need and to obtain input
- pay off options of the \$400,000 lease levy

A roll call vote was taken on the motion to postpone the referendum vote and the following voted in favor: Loftus, Andring, Pedersen and Pagel. Those voting against the same: Kaehler, Johnson, and Brandt. With a vote of 4 to 3, the motion carried.

Chair Pagel indicated that the next item for discussion would be the 2007 Payable 2008 Levy.

A motion was made by Member Andring and seconded by Member Pedersen to approve the maximum levy. A lengthy discussion followed.

An amendment to the motion was made by Member Kaehler and seconded by Member Johnson to reduce the levy by \$107,430 from the maximum including the areas of Reemployment, Health/Safety, Career/Tech and 50% Lease. Discussion ensued on how this would affect the 2008-09 budget. Supt. Klaehn expressed concern that there could be a loss in authority to levy in the future by proceeding with reducing certain levy categories at this time.

A vote on the amendment resulted in the following voting in favor: Kaehler, Johnson and Brandt. Those voting against the same: Loftus, Andring, Pedersen and Pagel. The amended motion failed with a vote of 4 to 3.

An amendment to the motion was made by Member Andring to take 100% of the lease out of the levy. The motion was seconded by Member Pedersen.

A vote on the amendment resulted it in being carried unanimously.

Chair Pagel asked for a vote on the amended motion which was to adopt the maximum levy less the lease levy (Attachment A). A vote on the amended motion was carried unanimously.

Member Kaehler made a motion to hold a bond referendum vote in February 2008 with the intent of bringing forward recommendations from DLR Group and Ehlers at the October 15, 2007 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Member Johnson. A roll call vote was taken with the following voting in favor: Loftus, Kaehler, Johnson, Andring and Brandt. Voting against the same: Pedersen. The motion carried with a vote of 6 to 1.

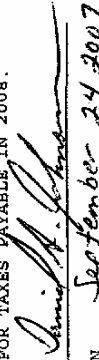
A motion was made by Member Pedersen, seconded by Member Andring and carried unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:41 PM.

Daniel A. Johnson, Clerk
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LEVY CATEGORY	MAXIMUM LEVY BEFORE OFFSETS	OFFSET ADJUSTMENTS (B)	TACONITE ADJUSTMENTS	MAXIMUM LEVY LIMITATION	PROPOSED CERTIFIED LEVY
(1) GENERAL--RMV VOTER JOEZ EXEMPT	59,413.89			59,413.89	59,413.89
(2) GENERAL--RMV OTHER JOEZ EXEMPT	104,024.19			104,024.19	104,024.19
(3) GENERAL--NTC VOTER JOEZ EXEMPT					
(4) GENERAL--NTC OTHER JOEZ EXEMPT	372,963.39			372,963.39	293,037.05
(5) COMMUNITY SERV--OTHER JOEZ EXEMPT	37,964.56			37,964.56	37,964.56
(6) GEN DEBT SERV--VOTER JOEZ NONEXEMPT	1,108,585.39			1,108,585.39	1,108,585.39
(7) GEN DEBT SERV--OTHER JOEZ NONEXEMPT					
(8) TOTAL LEVY	1,682,951.42			1,682,951.42	1,603,025.08
(9) GENERAL ADJUST OFFSET CARRIED FORWARD					
(10) DEBT SERVICE OFFSET CARRIED FORWARD					163,438.08
A) TRUTH IN TAXATION CATEGORIES: VOTER APPROVED LEVIES = (1)+(3)+(6) ALL OTHER LEVIES = (2)+(4)+(5)+(7)					
B) OFFSETTING ADJUSTMENTS USED TO ENSURE THAT THE MAXIMUM LEVY LIMITATION IN EACH LEVY CATEGORY IS NOT LESS THAN ZERO IF THERE IS NOT ENOUGH LEVY AUTHORITY WITHIN THE GENERAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE FUNDS, OR IN THE GENERAL DEBT SERVICE FUND, A NEGATIVE BALANCE WILL BE CARRIED FORWARD TO PAY 2009.					
C) SCHOOL DISTRICTS CERTIFYING THE MAXIMUM LEVY LIMITATION FOR THE PROPOSED LEVY MAY CERTIFY THE DOLLAR LIMITATION SHOWN, OR INDICATE "MAXIMUM" IN THE SPACE PROVIDED ON LINE (14) AT RIGHT.					
D) SCHOOL DISTRICTS CERTIFYING LESS THAN THE MAXIMUM LEVY LIMITATION FOR ANY CATEGORY MUST COMPLETE THE APPROPRIATE SECTIONS OF PAGES 22 THROUGH 29 AS NEEDED TO DOCUMENT THE SPECIFIC AMOUNTS CERTIFIED FOR EACH LEVY COMPONENT.					
E) THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MUST SUBMIT THE COMPLETED ORIGINAL OF THIS FORM TO THE HOME COUNTY AUDITOR BY OCTOBER 1, 2007. A DUPLICATE COPY MUST BE SUBMITTED TO MINNESOTA DEPT OF EDUCATION, PROGRAM FINANCE DIVISION, 1500 HIGHWAY 36 WEST, ROSEVILLE, MN 55113, BY OCTOBER 8, 2007.					
THE CERTIFIED LEVY LISTED ABOVE IS THE LEVY VOTED BY THE SCHOOL BOARD FOR TAXES PAYABLE IN 2008.					
SIGNATURE OF SCHOOL BOARD CLERK					
DATE OF CERTIFICATION					


 David A. Johnson
 SCHOOL BOARD CLERK
 September 24, 2007