

PELLSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Minutes

**Truth & Taxation Hearing and Regular Board of Education Meeting
Board of Education Conference Room
7:00 p.m.**

Monday, June 12, 2023

The Truth & Taxation Hearing of the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools was held in the Gerald E. Mallory Board of Education Conference Room on Monday, June 12, 2023.

Members present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Bryan Searles, Serenity Dankert and Mark Zink.
Members Absent: Kristen Bauer-Frye and Stephanie Bromley.

The public hearing on the Truth & Taxation 2023-2024 hearing was called to order at 7:00pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance and moment of reflection were led by Jim Milbrandt.

The Pellston Board of Education proposes the following tax rates for the 2023 tax year of 18.000 operational mills (17.4060 & .5940) levied on non-homestead and non-qualified agricultural property and Sinking Fund mills of 1.5 levied on all properties.

Public Commentary

Adjournment

It was motioned by Rob Thomson and supported by Bryan Searles to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm. The motion carried 5 - 0.

A Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools was held in the Gerald E. Mallory Board of Education Conference Room on Monday, June 12, 2023. Members Present: Jim Milbrandt, Rob Thomson, Bryan Searles, Serenity Dankert and Mark Zink. Members Absent: Kristen Bauer-Frye and Stephanie Bromley.

President Milbrandt called the Regular Board of Education meeting to order at 7:05pm.

Information / Presentations

Athletic Report: Nick Mesnard provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Transportation Report: Lee Minzey provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Food Service Report: Amy Beach provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Elementary Principal Report – Tammy VanAntwerp provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

MS/HS Principal Report – Chris Schlappi provided a written report to the Board. Report on file.

Administrators' Highlights – Marty (Book Club), 1 contribution in December.

Public Commentary

Correspondence/Communication

Old Business

New Business

2022-2023 Year End General Fund Budget Amendment Resolution – Version D

It was motioned by Serenity Dankert and supported by Mark Zink, “that the Board of Education, approve the 2022-2023 year end amendment to the General Fund Budget; and therefore adopt the amended budget, as recommended administratively.” The motion carried 5- 0.

General Fund Original Budget Resolution for the 2023-2024 School Year

It was motioned by Serenity Dankert and supported by Bryan Searles, “that the Board of Education, approve the 2023-2024 tax rates of 18.0000 operational mills (17.4060 & .5940) and sinking fund rate of 1.5 levied on all properties and adopt the 2023-2024 Original Budget resolution, as recommended administratively.” The motion carried 5 - 0.

Hall of Fame

Mr. Seelye led a brief discussion with the Board of Education about the timeline of Hall of Fame Inductions. It has been two years since we inducted our last class into the Hall of Fame. Mr. Seelye would like to put out the application form to our community in the near future. Accept applications until the end of July and then induct new members at a home football game in the Fall of 2023. No action was requested at this time.

Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Motion by Serenity Dankert and supported by Mark Zink, “that the Consent Agenda Items for the June 12, 2023 meeting of the Board of Education be adopted as presented.” Motion carried 5 - 0.

Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion: “that the Board of Education approve the regular meeting minutes of the May 8, 2023 Board Meeting.”

Payment of the Bills

Motion: “that the Board of Education, pay Gross Payrolls for May 19, 2023 and June 2, 2023; Benefits and Utilities and ACH transfers for the month of May 2023.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education of Pellston Public Schools pay all fund bills paid by checks as listed in the enclosed board packet totaling: \$718,119.87.”

Personnel Items:

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the following 2023-2024 contracts: Superintendent, Finance Director, Transportation Director, Elementary Principal, MS/HS Principal, MS/HS Counselor, MS/HS Secretary, Elementary Secretary/Administrative Assistant and Maintenance Director, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Business and Finance Items:

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the membership renewal for MASB at a cost of \$1,813.35, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve our membership renewal for MHSAA, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Motion: “that the Board of Education, approve the Alternate Food Service Agreement with Alanson Public Schools to continue to provide food service to their district for the 2023-2024 school year, as presented by Mr. Stephen Seelye.”

Closed Session: Superintendent Evaluation

Motion: “that the Board of Education, move to closed session for the purposes of conducting the Superintendent Evaluation and discussing MEA contract negotiations, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye, Superintendent.”

Open Session:

Motion: “that the Board of Education, move back to open session, as recommended by Mr. Stephen Seelye, Superintendent.”

Superintendent Rating

It was motioned by the Board of Education, to rate Superintendent, Stephen Seelye’s 2022-2023 annual evaluation as 93%, Highly Effective.” Motion carried 5 - 0.

Adjournment

It was motioned by Serenity Dankert and supported by Mark Zink to adjourn the meeting at 8:12pm. The motion carried 5 - 0.