

REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARCH 24, 2015

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: James Reilly, Brian Parent, Timothy Skermont,
Sonya Murray, Mark Williams

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: William Crankshaw, Lou D'Ambro, Catherine Chandler,
Jim Tinker, Kelly Runniger, Carleen Taylor, Patricia Hill,
RCS students

Meeting called to order by James Reilly, Board President, at 7:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance to the flag recited by all present.

No public session.

NYSSBA membership discussed. Board not in favor of joining at this time due to cost.

Second reading of Section 0000 General Commitments

Discussion of response to Holland Patent Central School District

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Sonya Murray:

“BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

1. The following notice shall be added to the notice of annual meeting and election:

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that the following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at such time:

PROPOSITION # 1

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO UNDERTAKE THE ACQUISITION OF ONE 54-PASSENGER WHEELCHAIR SCHOOL BUS, AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$130,980, LESS TRADE-IN VALUE, IF ANY, AND THAT SUCH COSTS, OR SO MUCH THEREOF AS MAY BE NECESSARY, SHALL BE RAISED BY THE LEVY OF A TAX TO BE COLLECTED IN ANNUAL INSTALLMENTS; AND, IN ANTICIPATION OF SUCH TAX, DEBT OBLIGATIONS OF THE SCHOOL

DISTRICT AS MAY BE NECESSARY NOT TO EXCEED SUCH ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST SHALL BE ISSUED, OR THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MAY ENTER INTO AN INSTALLMENT PURCHASE CONTRACT IF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION DETERMINES THAT IT IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT TO FINANCE THE PURCHASE IN THAT METHOD.

2. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed for authorized indebtedness providing for payment of the acquisition of a school bus at an estimated maximum cost of not to exceed \$130,980. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.

3. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to add the above to the notice of the annual meeting of the School District.

4. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption."

Duly put to a vote as follows:

Unanimous vote

Motion by Sonya Murray, second by Brian Parent:

"BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law there is hereby established a capital reserve fund for the Remsen Central School District, New York, which shall be designated as the "2015 Capital Reserve Fund" of said School District.

Section 2. Such 2015 Capital Reserve Fund is hereby established for financing, in whole or in part, the following objects or purposes of said School District:

Construction, reconstruction and improvement of school buildings and facilities, including original furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus incidental thereto, and the purchase of furnishings, equipment, machinery or apparatus separately; provided that such capital costs are an object or purpose that would be eligible for financing under the Local Finance Law, and costs incidental thereto.

Section 3. The ultimate amount of such Fund shall be \$900,000.00 plus earnings thereon.

Section 4. The probable term of such Fund shall be ten (10) years, after which time no further funds may be transferred to such Fund, unless previously extended by the voters, but such Fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted.

Section 5. The source from which the funds for such Fund will be obtained is as follows: (i) an initial deposit of -0-, and (ii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (iii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all to the extent permitted by law.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect upon the approval thereof by a majority of the qualified voters of said School District voting on a proposition therefor submitted at the annual meeting of said School District. Upon such approval, no further action of this Board of Education will be required to perfect the establishment of such Reserve Fund.

Section 7. The form of proposition to be so submitted shall be substantially as follows:

PROPOSITION # 2

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Remsen Central School District is hereby authorized to establish a Capital Reserve Fund pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law (to be known as the "2015 Capital Reserve Fund"), with the purpose of such fund being to finance construction, reconstruction, improvement and equipping of school buildings and facilities; such capital costs being of a type that would be eligible for financing under the local finance law, and costs incidental thereto, the ultimate amount of such fund to be \$900,000.00, plus earnings thereon, the probable term of such fund to be 10 years, but such fund shall continue in existence until liquidated in accordance with the Education Law or until the funds are exhausted, and the sources from which the funds shall be obtained for such Reserve are (i) an initial deposit of -0-, and (ii) amounts from budgetary appropriations from time to time, and (iii) unappropriated fund balance made available by the Board of Education from time to time, and (iv) New York State Aid received and made available by the Board of Education from time to time, all as permitted by law."

Unanimous vote

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Sonya Murray:

"WHEREAS, the Remsen Central School District (the "District") Board of Education has considered the impacts to the environment of following Scope of Work to be completed: Renovations, replacements and improvements at the District's high school and grounds, including, but not limited to, exterior door replacement, sidewalk replacement, curbing, flooring and other improvements.

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the scope of the project and has further received and considered the advice of its architects with respect to the potential for environmental impacts resulting from the proposed action; and

WHEREAS, the Board has reviewed the Proposed Action with respect to the Type II criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR part 617.5(c), now therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education as follows:

1. The Proposed Action does not exceed thresholds established under 6 NYCRR Part 617, State Environmental Quality Review Act, (SEQRA).
2. The Board hereby determines the Proposed Action as a Type II action in accordance with the SEQRA regulations.

3. No further review of the Proposed Action is required under SEQRA.
4. This resolution shall be effective immediately.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the use of May 22, 2015 as an unused emergency day.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Sonya Murray:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve Committee on Preschool Special Education recommendations from their meeting held on March 16, 2015.” Unanimous vote

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education accept Notice of Retirement of James Tinker, effective June 30, 2015, with thanks his many years of service to Remsen students.” Unanimous vote

Information and correspondence given to the Board of Education included the following:

- Test Refusal Letter
- Thank You to the Town of Remsen Supervisor discussed
- Joint Mutual Boards Meeting to be held April 16th
- Municipal Meeting Dates
- Special Meeting - April 7th @ 7 p.m.
- Legal Overview Meeting
- New Hartford CSD letter

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education go into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m. for the sole purpose of discussion of the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal, or removal of a particular person or corporation.”

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Timothy Skermont to return to Regular Session at 9:00 p.m.

Motion by Timothy Skermont, second by Brian Parent to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 p.m.