SCHOOL BOARD MINUTES MAY 23, 2024

President Browning call the 1028 Hearing to order at 7:00 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Mr. Klosterman and Mr. Tormoehlen.

It was explained that under Indiana law whenever a school corporation proposes to construct or renovate a school building at a cost in excess of one million dollars it must first hold a public hearing. Additionally, pursuant to Indiana Code 6-1.1-20-3.1, whenever a school corporation proposes to issue bonds for the construction or renovation of a school building or buildings resulting in total costs in excess of certain threshold, such school corporation is required to hold two public hearings on its preliminary determination to issue such bonds. The first hearing on the preliminary determination for the Projects (as defined herein) was held on April 30, 2024. Notice of both public hearings was published was published in the *Tribune* and the *Jackson County Banner* on April 17, 2024, and was sent via first-class mail to the Jackson County Clerk and any other organizations which requested such notice as provided in Indiana Code 6-1.1-20-3.1. The proofs of publication of the notice of the hearings were presented at the meeting.

It was further explained that at this hearing all interested people may give testimony and/or ask questions concerning the renovation of and improvements to school facilities, including roofs and HVAC improvements and the purchase of equipment, vehicles, and technology (the "Projects"). The purpose of hearings is two-fold: (1) to inform the public as to the proposed Projects; and (2) to allow all interested parties, taxpayers and patrons of the School Corporation to voice their opinions as to the Projects and ask any questions.

After the purpose of the hearings was explained, the presentations regarding the need for the Projects were given. An evaluation of the existing facility was then presented, as well as a discussion of the details of the proposed Projects. The estimated costs and schedules of the Projects were then presented to the public. It was explained how these Projects could be funded, and the potential tax rate impact the Projects would have on the community.

After the above presentations, the President announced that the Board would now hear testimony and questions from the public. There were none.

At the conclusion of public testimony and question, the Board considered the Project Resolution to complete the Projects at a cost of more than one million dollars per building. On motion duly made by Mr. Juergens, seconded by Mrs. Coates and carried, the resolution attached as Exhibit A was approved.

Also, at the conclusion of the public testimony and question, the Board considered the Preliminary Determination Resolution to issue bonds in order to complete the Projects. On motion duly made by Mr. Chandler, seconded by Mrs. Coates and carried; the resolution attached as <u>Exhibit B</u> was approved.

The President further stated that the Board needed to consider a Reimbursement Resolution. On motion duly made by Mrs. Coates, seconded by Mr. Juergens and carried; the resolution attached as Exhibit C was adopted.

Mr. Kelley moved and Mr. Chandler seconded a motion to adjourn. As there was no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

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