

BOARD OF EDUCATION

04/15/20

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of the Margaretville Central School District was held on Wednesday, April 15, 2020 by Zoom Meeting.

Members Present: Doris Warner, Terence Johnson, Kurt Holcherr and Marc Osterweil

Absent: Michael Boice

Others Present: Robert Chakar (Superintendent) and Beth E. Teuber (Clerk & Secretary)

At 7:00PM, President Warner called the meeting to order.

Mr. Johnson commented that having a zoom meeting as the Board Meeting is new to us all. He also commended the Administration and Faculty for their work during this difficult time. Kudos to all of them. Mrs. Warner commented that the Administration and staff are doing an amazing job. She is grateful for what everyone has done with limiting the number of people in the building at one time, so we can keep moving and be safe.

In comments from the Superintendent, Dr. Chakar mentioned how the teachers & Ms. Norris are doing a wonderful job moving forward and keeping everyone connected.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to approve the Minutes from 03/18/20. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to accept the Treasurer's Report from February 29, 2020 and Activity Fund Report for March 2020 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board audited the Warrants and Reviewed the Internal Claim Auditor's Reports for Warrants #0068-0070.

Dr. Chakar presented the 2020-21 Budget at 11,550,890. Decrease of \$680,388 and 5.56% down from last year. In preparing the Budget we have met the challenge of the 4.57% tax cap.

IT WAS MOVED BY Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Johnson to approve the Shared Superintendent Agreement with Andes Central School for the 2020-21 school year. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to approve the Amendment to the 2019-20 Tax Warrant. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Johnson to Approve the 2020-21 Real Property Tax Report Card as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to Adopt the 2020-21 Budget in the amount of \$11,550,890 which represents a -5.56% decrease of the 2019-20 Budget. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Warner to Approve the 2020-21 Property Tax Levy of \$7,457,966, which represents a decrease of \$357,119 from 2019-20 Tax Levy. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Osterweil, seconded by Mr. Holcherr, to Amend to Income Level in Relation to the Partial Tax Exemption for persons 65 years of age or more. BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to the authority granted by Section 467 of the Real Property Tax Law, real property within the Town of Middletown owned by one or more persons, each of whom is 65 years of age or over, or real property within the Town of Middletown, owned by husband and wife, one of whom is 65 years of age or over, shall be exempt from the Margaretville Central School tax levy according to the following schedule based on income of the owner or combined income of the owners of the property for the tax year immediately preceding the date of application:

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| Income \$15,000 or below | 50% exemption |
| Income more than \$15,000 but less than \$16,100 | 45% exemption |
| Income more than \$16,100 but less than \$17,100 | 40% exemption |
| Income more than \$17,100 but less than \$18,100 | 35% exemption |
| Income more than \$18,100 but less than \$19,000 | 30% exemption |
| Income more than \$19,000 but less than \$19,900 | 25% exemption |
| Income more than \$19,900 but less than \$20,800 | 20% exemption |
| Income more than \$20,800 but less than \$21,700 | 15% exemption |
| Income more than \$21,700 but less than \$22,600 | 10% exemption |
| Income more than \$22,600 but less than \$23,500 | 5% exemption |

Motion carried unanimously

ROLL CALL**CALL TO ORDER****COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD****COMMENTS FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT****APPROVAL OF MINUTES****TREASURER'S REPORT****WARRANTS****PRESENTATIONS****DR. ROBERT L. CHAKAR 2020-21 BUDGET****PERSONNEL****SHARED****SUPERINTENDENT****AGREEMENT 2020-21****FINANCIAL****AMENDMENT TO TAX****WARRANT****REAL PROPERTY TAX****REPORT CARD 2020-21****2020-21 BUDGET****2020-21 PROPERTY TAX****LEVY****AMENDMENT TO****PARTIAL TAX****EXEMPTION PERSONS****65 YEARS OR MORE**

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IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Osterweil to approve the CSE Recommendations as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

IT WAS MOVED by Mrs. Warner, seconded by Mr. Holcherr to move into Executive Session at 7:52PM. Motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting resumed at 8:31PM.

IT WAS MOVED by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Warner to adjourn the meeting at 8:32PM. Motion carried unanimously. **ADJOURNMENT**

Approved: Beth E. Seubert
Clerk: 5/20/2020