NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES

March 30, 2015

The Newark Valley Central School District Board of Education met at 5:30 p.m. in the Richard H. Kerr Board Room. The following Board Members were in attendance: James Phillips, Thomas Darpino, Ralph Parmelee, Anthony Tavelli and Robert Bennett. The following Board Members were absent: Randal H. Kerr and Susan Watson. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Thomas Darpino. The following school personnel were present Ryan Dougherty, Ji Katchuk, Gary Hoskins and Tina Engelhard. There were four guests.

ATTENDANCE

<u>Presentation:</u> Mr. Fred Riordan, Riordan Group, and Paul Bedford, Keystone Associates, presented to the Board of Education an additional option for the proposed capital project and bus garage. Discussions followed (i.e., costs, tax impacts, geo thermal heating, etc.)

Privilege of the Floor: None

<u>Superintendent's Report:</u> Superintendent Dougherty stated the State passed the budget which included an education aid increase of 6.1%. Discussion followed.

New Business:

Motion by T. Darpino, and seconded by R. Bennett, for the approval of 3-15-G12 and 3-15-G32

3-15-G12

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING AND VOTE NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING & ANNUAL VOTE

Budget Hearing

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District, as follows:

- (1) A budget hearing of the qualified voters of Newark Valley Central School District (the "School District") shall be held in the School District on May 11, 2015, at the Administration Building, 79 Whig Street, Newark Valley, New York beginning at 7:00 pm, where there shall be presented the proposed School District budget for the following year and for the purpose of voting upon the propositions described in the Annual Vote hereinafter set forth.
- (2) The meeting shall be called by giving the following notice thereof:

Annual Vote

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Annual Vote of the qualified voters of the School District, will be held at the Administration Building, 79 Whig Street, Newark Valley, New York, on the 19th day of May 2015. The vote will be on the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures, for propositions involving the expenditure of money or the authorizing of levy of taxes, as well as the election of members of the Board of Education. The vote upon such propositions shall be by voting machines, and the polls shall be open for qualified voters of the School District desiring to vote on the propositions from 12:00 pm until 8:00 pm. The propositions to be voted on are: (i) acquire school buses and a buildings and grounds vehicle for the School District for its 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, (ii) to expend moneys from a voter approved capital reserve to pay a portion of the costs of the acquisition of school buses and a buildings and grounds vehicle, (iii) to construct, reconstruct and equip school district facilities and (iv) to expend moneys from a voter approved capital reserve to pay a portion of the costs of the construction, reconstruction and equipping of such school facilities. The polls shall be open until 8:00 pm. At such meeting, taxes to be levied by installment will be proposed. The following propositions will be submitted at said meeting and shall state the taxes to be proposed, the objects or purpose for which such taxes will be authorized, and the maximum amount to be expended for such objects or purpose:

Proposition No. 1

 The Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to acquire school buses and a buildings and grounds vehicle for the School District for its 2015-2016 Fiscal Year, including any preliminary and incidental costs related thereto; and NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING & ANNUAL VOTE (CONTINUED)

- The total estimated maximum cost of such purpose, including other related expenses is \$430,000. The Board of Education is authorized to expend for such purpose an amount not exceeding such total estimated maximum cost; and
- 3. A tax in the amount of \$337,500 being the total of the cost authorized to be expended for such purpose, shall be levied upon all the taxable property in the School District in order to raise the monies required for such purpose and such tax shall be levied in annual installments which shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education; and
- 4. The Board of Education is hereby authorized to issue serial bonds of the School District, and/or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$337,500 in anticipation of the collection of said tax and a tax shall be levied to pay the interest on said serial bonds and said bond anticipation notes as the same shall become due.

Proposition No. 2

 The Board of Education of the School District is hereby authorized to expend up to \$92,500 from moneys in a capital reserve fund established by the School District on May 12, 1993, as amended on May 21, 2002, for the purchase of School District vehicles, including school buses and any other preliminary and incidental costs related thereto in and for the School District.

Proposition No. 3

- 1. The Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to construct, reconstruct and equip the elementary/middle school building, the high school building and the School bus garage, including repairs to the Alexander Park dam, upgrades to the district wide telephone system and parking lot lighting upgrades, and including site development, all buildings being of Class "A" construction, as that term is defined in section 11.00 of the Local Finance Law, and including equipment, apparatus, machinery, land, rights-in-land, the costs of architects, engineers, attorneys, and other preliminary and incidental costs; and
- The total estimated maximum cost of such purpose, including other related expenses is \$15,517,195. The Board of Education is authorized to expend for such purpose an amount not exceeding such total estimated maximum cost; and
- 3. A tax in the amount of \$14,017,195 being the total of the cost authorized to be expended for such purpose, shall be levied upon all the taxable property in the School District in order to raise the monies required for such purpose and such tax shall be levied in annual installments which shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education; and
- 4. The Board of Education is hereby authorized to issue serial bonds of the School District, and/or bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of the issuance of such serial bonds, in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$14,017,195 in anticipation of the collection of said tax and a tax shall be levied to pay the interest on said serial bonds and said bond anticipation notes as the same shall become due.

Proposition No. 4

The Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District is hereby authorized to expend up to \$1,500,000 from moneys in a capital reserve fund established by the School District on May 11, 1994, for the construction, reconstruction and repair of capital improvements and any other preliminary and incidental costs related thereto in and for the School District.

Statement of Money Required for Next School Year

A copy of the statement of the amount of money which would be required for the next school year for school purposes shall be completed seven days before the budget hearing and may be obtained by any resident of the School District at each schoolhouse during the period of 14 days immediately before the annual meeting and election, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., except Saturday, Sunday or holiday.

Vote for Board Members

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING & ANNUAL VOTE (CONTINUED)

Petitions nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education must be filed with the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. not later than April 20, 2015. The following vacancies are to be filled:

A three-year term ending June 30, 2018, currently held by Thomas Darpino A three-year term ending June 30, 2018, currently held by Ralph (Scott) Parmelee A three-year term ending June 30, 2018, currently held by James Phillips

Each petition must be addressed to the Clerk of the District, be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District, shall state the residence of each signer, the name and address of the candidate, and shall describe the specific vacancy on the Board of Education for which the candidate is nominated, which description shall include at least the length of term of office, and the name of the last incumbent. No person shall be nominated for more than one specific office.

Absentee Ballots

Applications for absentee ballots may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk. Such applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the vote if the ballot is to be mailed to the absentee voter, or the day before the vote if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the absentee voter. Absentee ballots must be received in the Office of the District Clerk of the District not later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the vote.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued shall be available for public inspection in the Office of the District Clerk during regular office hours which are between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Any qualified voter may, upon examination of such list, file a written challenge of qualifications of any person whose name appears on such list, stating the reasons for the challenge. Such written challenge shall be transmitted by the Clerk, or designee, to the inspectors of election on election day.

By order of the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District Tina A. Engelhard, District Clerk

3-15-G13

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE RESOLUTION TO MAKE FINDINGS AND DETERMINATIONS

WHEREAS, KEYSTONE ASSOCIATES, the School District Engineer (the "Engineer"), has, at the request of the Board of Education of the Newark Valley Central School District (the "School District"), a school district of the State of New York, located in the Counties of Tioga, Tompkins, Cortland and Broome, has at the instance of the Board of Education, prepared engineering studies for the construction, reconstruction and equipping of improvements to school buildings and grounds for the Newark Valley Central School District, including the construction, reconstruction and equipping of the elementary/middle school building, the high school building and the School bus garage, repairs to the Alexander Park dam, upgrades to the district wide telephone system, parking lot lighting upgrades, and including furnishings, fixtures, systems, machinery and apparatus, contingency costs and preliminary costs (the "Project") and said engineering studies have been filed in the office of the School District Clerk and are on file for public inspection.

WHEREAS, the School District has determined that upon the examination of an environmental assessment form ("EAF") prepared by the Engineer, that all components the Project are "Type II" or "unlisted" actions, as those terms are defined in 6 NYCRR §617.2, and therefore the School District caused the EAF to be prepared and filed with the School District Clerk, as may be applicable; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the maximum amount estimated to be expended for the Project in its entirety is \$15,517,195 and that the costs of the Project, in whole or in part, as authorized by the Board of Education of the School District, are to be financed by the issuance of serial bonds of the School District pursuant to the Local Finance Law and, if deemed advisable, by the issuance of bond anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of said bonds; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that the costs of the Project, as aforesaid, are to be paid in part from a tax levied upon all the taxable property in the School District in annual installments determined by the Board of Education;

SEQR RESOLUTION, DECLARE LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINE 2015 CAPITAL RESERVE PROJECT AS TYPE II SEQR RESOLUTION, DECLARE LEAD AGENCY & DETERMINE 2015 CAPITAL RESERVE PROJECT AS TYPE II (CONTINUED) NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to proceedings prescribed in 6 NYCRR at §617 of the State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") regulations, BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE NEWARK VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, as follows:

Section 1. The School District, by and through its Board of Education, declares and designates itself to be the "lead agency" as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR §617.2(u), with respect to the continuing environmental review of the Project.

Section 2. It is hereby determined that the Project as aforesaid, is a "Type II" or "unlisted action", as those terms are defined in 6 NYCRR §617.2.

Section 3. No other agency other than the School District is involved in said environmental review and no coordinated review is necessary or required.

Section 4. No hearing as set forth in 6 NYCRR §617.9(a)(4) is required in making the determinations contained herein with respect to the costs of the Project.

Section 5. Taking into account the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR §617.7(c) upon review of all pertinent information, including taking a hard look at all the facts and circumstances, it is determined that the Project: does not require segmentation for adequate environmental compliance analysis, includes no unanticipated or unidentified adverse effects which should be anticipated with respect thereto, and is precluded from further review under the Environmental Conservation Law.

Section 6. It is hereby determined that for purposes of the SEQRA regulations the bond resolutions referred hereinabove to be adopted by the Board of Education under the Local Finance Law to finance the Project shall not be or be deemed to be an "action", as that term is defined in 6 NYCRR §617.2(b), until its effectiveness following the estoppel period prescribed in §82.00 of the Local Finance Law.

Section 7. Taking into account the criteria set forth in 6 NYCRR §617, upon review of all pertinent information, including taking a hard look at all the facts and circumstances, it is determined that the Project (i) will not have a significant effect on the climate or climate change, and (ii) will not have a significant effect on the environment, and no unidentified adverse effects are anticipated with respect thereto and are precluded from further review under the Environmental Conservation Law.

Section 8. The School District shall include a true copy of this resolution in the file maintained, readily accessible to the public, in the office of the School District Clerk, containing the EAF.

Section 9. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Education of the School District.

Vote: 5 Yes

0 No

2 Absent

Motion carried.

Privilege of the Floor: None

NEXT BOE MTG (4/13/15) Board Matters: Board of Edu

BOE MTG.

 Board of Education Meeting, Monday, April 13, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room

 Board of Education Meeting, <u>Thursday</u>, April 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., Richard H. Kerr Board Room

Meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

March 30, 201

Tina A. Engelhard, District Cler