HANOVER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF EDUCATION SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING - BUDGET

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28 2017 AT 6:30 PM

I. Opening -

A. The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Wolsky, Board Secretary at 6:30 p.m. in the Library/Media Center at Memorial Junior School, 61 Highland Avenue, Whippany, New Jersey 07981.

Mrs. Wolsky read the following statement:

In accordance with P.L. 1975, Chapter 231, notice of this meeting was provided to the newspaper of record, appropriately posted and sent to the Township Clerk on February 13, 2017.

B. Present: Board Members: Mr. Salvatore A. Azzarello

Mr. Brian Cahill Mr. Douglas Petty

Mr. Daniel Breen (arrived 6:35 p.m.)

Mr. Glenn Yannotta Ms. Rose McCauley Mrs. Patricia Mattia

Mrs. Carol Tognetti, Vice President

Mr. Steven Furda, President

Superintendent Board Administrator/ Board Secretary Mr. Michael J. Wasko Mrs. Vanessa M. Wolsky

No Board Members were absent

II. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION - 2017-18 Budget

Discussion: Mr. Wasko began the discussion with a review of projected enrollments for the 2017-18 school year at each school in the District. Bee Meadow School, with a current enrollment of 336 students, is expected to have an enrollment of 325 students. Mountview Road School, with a current enrollment of 341 students, is expected to have an enrollment of 325 students. Salem Drive School, with a current enrollment of 267 students, is expected to have an enrollment of 258 students. Memorial Junior School, with a current enrollment of 503 students is expected to have an enrollment of 530 students. In summary, the enrollment is projected to decrease by 9 students from 1,447 to 1,438. Mr. Wasko indicated the he current proposed budget includes no new staff or changes to FTE but there are currently 3 fewer sections anticipated in grades K-5 although there are potential enrollment implications due to new development and the recent announcement of Our Lady of Mercy closing.

Mrs. Wolsky continued with a review of the preliminary 2017-18 budget. Proposed capital outlay includes new doors at Memorial Junior and Bee Meadow, the installation of HVAC in 3 classrooms at Salem Drive and a 54 passenger bus.

Mrs. Wolsky highlighted the variances to the preliminary non-salary budget summary from the prior year. The 2017-18 preliminary budget that was reviewed is an overall budget increase of \$414,202, or 1.54% and a tax rate increase of 0.7%.

The tax implication of this increase per \$100,000 assessed valuation is projected to be an increase of \$4.41 over the previous year.

Mrs. Wolsky also stated that the agenda items to approve the budget are on the supplemental agenda for tonight's regular meeting.

III. ADJOURNMENT – 7:05 p.m.

Motion: Mr. Petty Second: Mr. Yannotta Approved: Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa M. Wolsky School Business Administrator/ Board Secretary