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July 31, 2023

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The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in special session at 5:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria on July 31, 2023. Present were Tom Siciliano, Jen Curall, Craig Mullaly, Amanda Waesch, Paul McEwuen, Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, and Connie Baldwin, Treasurer. Also present: Shannon White, Chad White, Brenda Giebel, Karen Fowler. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: J. Curall, C. Mullaly, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen

RESOLUTION 2023-07-181
ADOPT THE AGENDA

Motion: T. Siciliano
Second: A. Waesch
To approve the agenda

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen, J. Curall
Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Treasurer's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2023-07-182
LEVY RESOLUTION TO PROCEED

Motion: A. Waesch
Second: T. Siciliano

Resolution to proceed as follows:

A RESOLUTION SUBMITTING TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT THE QUESTION OF THE RENEWAL OF AN ADDITIONAL 2.5-MILL TAX LEVY FOR THE PURPOSE OF GENERAL PERMANENT IMPROVEMENTS, PURSUANT TO SECTION 5705.21 OF THE REVISED CODE.

WHEREAS, this Board intends to submit to the electorate of the School District the question of the renewal of a 2.5-mill tax levy for general permanent improvements, including renovating, rehabilitating, adding to, furnishing, equipping, and otherwise improving school facilities and their sites for a continuing period of time, commencing with the 2024 tax list and to be first collected in calendar year 2025; and

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WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, this Board adopted Resolution No. 2023-07-179, determining that the amount of taxes which may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax list will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the School District, declaring it necessary to renew the levy of an additional 2.5-mill tax levy for the purpose of general permanent improvements, including renovating, rehabilitating, adding to, furnishing, equipping, and otherwise improving school facilities and their sites for a continuing period of time, and requesting the Portage County Auditor to certify the certifications set forth in Section 5705.03(B)(2), as applicable to the proposed 2.5-mill additional levy; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with that Resolution and Section 5705.03(B), the Portage County Auditor certified, by DTE 140R dated July 26, 2023, provided to the District on July 27, 2023, that (i) the estimated property tax revenue that will be produced by the stated millage (2.5 mills), assuming the tax valuation of the School District remains constant throughout the life of the levy, is calculated to be \$425,000 per year, (ii) the total taxable value of the School District used in calculating the estimated property tax revenue is \$259,436,210 and (iii) the millage for the requested levy is 2.5 mills per \$1 of taxable value, which amounts to \$47 for each \$100,000 of the County Auditor's appraised value.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of Rootstown Local School District, County of Portage, Ohio, at least two-thirds of all members elected thereto concurring, that:

Section 1. Definition. As used in this Resolution and in accordance with Section 5705.03(B)(1)(a) of the Revised Code, "mills" refers to mills for each one dollar of taxable value.

Section 2. Declaration of Necessity of Tax Levy. This Board hereby finds, determines and declares that the amount of taxes that may be raised within the ten-mill limitation by levies on the current tax list will be insufficient to provide an adequate amount for the necessary requirements of the School District, and that it is necessary to levy a renewal of a tax in excess of that limitation at the rate of 2.5 mills, for a continuing period of time, for the purpose of general permanent improvements, including renovating, rehabilitating, adding to, furnishing, equipping, and otherwise improving school facilities and their sites.

Section 3. Submission of Question of Tax Levy to the Electors. The question of the renewal of an additional 2.5-mill ad valorem property tax outside of the ten-mill limitation, for a continuing period of time, for the purpose of

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general permanent improvements, including renovating, rehabilitating, adding to, furnishing, equipping, and otherwise improving school facilities and their sites beginning with the tax list for the year 2024, the proceeds of which levy first would be available to the School District in calendar year 2025, shall be submitted under the provisions of Section 5705.21 of the Revised Code to the electors of the School District at an election to be held therein on November 7, 2023, as authorized by law. That election shall be held at the regular places of voting in the School District as established by the Portage County Board of Elections, or otherwise, within the times provided by law and shall be conducted, canvassed and certified in the manner provided by law.

Section 4. Notice of Election. The Treasurer of this Board be and is hereby authorized and directed to give or cause to be given notice of that election as provided by law.

Section 5. Delivery of Materials to Board of Elections. The Treasurer be and is hereby directed to deliver or cause to be delivered (i) a certified copy of Resolution No. 2023-07-179, adopted on July 24, 2023, referred to in the sixth preamble to this Resolution, (ii) the certificate of the Portage County Auditor referred to in the seventh preamble to this Resolution and (iii) a certified copy of this Resolution, to the Portage County Board of Elections before 4:00 p.m. (or the earlier close of business) on August 9, 2023.

Section 6. Compliance with Open Meeting Requirements. This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board and of any of its committees concerning and relating to the adoption of this Resolution were taken, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in those formal actions were held, in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

Section 7. Captions and Headings. The captions and headings in this Resolution are solely for convenience of reference and in no way define, limit or describe the scope or intent of any Sections, subsections, paragraphs, subparagraphs or clauses hereof.

Section 8. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and immediately upon its adoption.

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, C. Mullaly, J. Curall

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Superintendent's Reports/Recommendations:

RESOLUTION 2023-07-183
HIRE GANZHORN

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: P. McEwuen

To hire Emily Ganzhorn as HS Counselor, with a Master's degree, Step 3, and a 1 year contract, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-184
HIRE GEARHEART

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: T. Siciliano

To hire Alexis Gearhart as HS Technology Teacher, with a Master's degree, Step 6, and a 1 year contract, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-185
HIRE ABELL

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To hire Caleb Abell as HS Intervention Specialist, with a Bachelor's degree, Step 1, and a 1 year contract, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-186
HIRE WOOLARD

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

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To hire Shannon Woolard as an Educational Aide, 186 day contract, 7 hours per day, Step 2, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-187

HIRE WILSON

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: T. Siciliano

To hire Kelly Wilson as a Bus Aide, 186 day contract, 3 ¾ hours per day, Step 1, effective the 2023-2024 school year.

Yeas: P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly, J. Curall

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-188

HIRE PERMANENT SUBS

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: P. McEwuen

To approve the following substitutes:

Debbie Ravine

Katti Simkanin

May Abdlrasul

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, A. Waesch, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-189

HIRE SUBSTITUTES

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: P. McEwuen

To approve the following substitutes:

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| Arthur Lloyd | Substitute Teacher |
| Tara Langston | Substitute Teacher, Secretary, and Educational Aide |
| Jersey Rollyson | Substitute Custodian, effective July 24, 2023 |

Yeas: T. Siciliano, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-190
APPROVE MOU WITH OAPSE

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: J. Curall

To approve the MOU with OAPSE

Yeas: A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

RESOLUTION 2023-07-191
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To go into executive session to consider the evaluation of a public employee. Entered into executive at 5:09 p.m. Invited in: A. Hawkins

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, P. McEwuen, C. Mullaly

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

The president called the meeting back to regular session at 5:35 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2023-07-192
APPROVE SALARY INCREASES

Motion: P. McEwuen

Second: A. Waesch

To approve administrative salaries for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

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| Superintendent | \$126,075 |
| Treasurer | \$ 99,000 |

Yeas: P. McEwuen, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

New Business:

J. Curall reported the elementary playground is missing a swing and rings on the swing set.

The board will meet on August 21, 2023 at 5:30 for a work session on facilities. The regular meeting will follow at 6:00 p.m.

RESOLUTION 2023-07-193

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To adjourn the meeting at 5:37 p.m.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, C. Mullaly, J. Curall

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

Craig Mullaly, President

Connie Baldwin-Guinto, Treasurer