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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: November 11, 2021

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: ZOOM Meeting, <https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>

Present: Tom Langland, President
Don Wolczko, Secretary
Eric Pryne, Position 2
LeeAnn Brown, Position 3
Wendy Noble, Position 4
Eric Jensen, Superintendent
Jojo Weller, Administrative Director

1. Call to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. Approve/Amend November 11 Agenda

Secretary Wolczko motions to approve the agenda and Commissioner Pryne seconds the motion:

"I move to approve the agenda."

AGENDA APPROVED 5-0

3. 2022 Budget and Levy Hearing
 - Review of 2021/2022 District Goals, see attached District Goals
 - Review of expense budget and scenarios for tax revenue, see Budget worksheet

Commissioner Pryne noted that the actual district expenses are \$140,000 as \$90,000 of the expenses is a pass-through expense for the Sunrise Ridge rent. Sunrise Ridge charges the district rent and the district charges this to Sea Mar.

- Public Comment and Q&A

Ms. Annie would like the budget posted on the website so she can review it. Superintendent Jensen informed her that the budget is on the website.

Mr. Alan Aman asked about progress on assessing the value of the service from Sea Mar. Is the district planning a multi-year capital/long range plan to anticipate capital needs and to also layout the levy rate beyond the next year? How will the district fund health improvement ideas



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that come forward in the next year which is in its mission to improve the health of the community.

President Langland mentioned that even though Sea Mar did not agree to a lesser subsidy amount, but they did say that they intend to use the excess funds on enhancing services for the community.

Mr. Dan Carlson would like the district to think about an urgent care service. There is no evidence in the budget that this is a consideration. He would also like the district to have accountability measures for Sea Mar and to consider other providers. He would like to know to what extent the district has gone to communicate levy rates with the other junior taxing districts on the island.

Commissioner Pryne said that the district has had periodic informal, informational meetings with the other districts. The \$5.90 pro-rationing issue from last year is not an issue this year due to the increased assessed property values. Commissioner Noble stated the clinic takes urgent care walk-ins; however, this pushes scheduled appointments out and creates waiting time issues.

Commissioner Comments:

Commissioner Pryne stated he is in favor of the \$0.50 levy rate for the following reasons: it will keep the levy amount level for the residents; the difference between the \$0.52 and \$0.50 levy rate only goes towards paying down the balance on the loan, which will already be paid off sooner than the projected seven-year term; and the lower levy does not reduce the district's banked tax capacity, which is a reserve of sorts which will be available if the district ever needs it. The higher rate would reduce banked capacity.

Secretary Wolczko stated he is in favor of the \$0.52 levy rate because of uncertainty about the needs in next years' operations and capital needs.

Commissioner Brown stated she is in favor of the \$0.50 levy rate. She agreed with Commissioner Pryne and also did not see the need to pay off the loan sooner than the projected seven years.

Commissioner Noble also is in favor of the \$0.50 levy rate and agreed that the loan was being paid down in a sensible timeframe.



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President Langland stated he is in favor of the \$0.50 levy rate given there are no specific items in the strategic plan that need funding, and the district has access to additional borrowing for any unplanned capital needs in the near future.

Commissioner Pryne motions to approve direction to the superintendent on a levy resolution. President Langland seconds the motion:

“I move that the Board direct Superintendent Jensen to prepare a levy resolution and other required documents for the Board’s consideration next week that reflects scenario two in the budget, the \$0.50 levy rate, for \$1.95M in property tax revenue.”

RESOLUTION APPROVED 4-1

Commissioner Langland thanked Superintendent Jensen for his efforts on the budget and also thanked the public for attending.

4. Adjourn

Commissioner Nobel motions adjournment and Commissioner Pryne seconds the motion:

“I move we adjourn.”

ADJOURNMENT APPROVED 5-0

Adjourned at 20:10

The next Regular Board Meeting will be Wednesday, November 17, at 19:00 on ZOOM,
<https://zoom.us/j/94707956113>.