

RIVERDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2021

Board President, Bill Tracy called the Annual Meeting of the Riverdale School District to order at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, October 27, 2021.

Present from the Board were Marc Couey, Stacy Hach, Veronica Harris, Travis Hudson, David McHenry, Nick Stitzer, and Bill Tracy. Also present were staff members and community members.

Motion by Veronica Harris, second by Travis Hudson, to approve the proof of publication of the annual meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Marc Couey and second by Stacy Hach to nominate Bill Tracy as chairman of the meeting. Motion carried.

Mr. Schmidt explained the budget for 2021-2022. The budget totals \$17,137,915.40 with the fund 10 portion of \$9,927,745.50 or (58%) of the total being for the general operation of the school. Fund 20 is \$1,523,448.90 which covers the majority of special education costs. Expenditures in Fund 20 accounts for about 9% of the total budget. The Debt Service Fund consists of fund 38. The payment for Fund 38 principal and interest payments is \$1,102,269.00. Fund 46 is the Long Term Capital Improvement Trust Fund. We are budgeting a \$5,000.00 transfer into the fund this year. Fund 49 is Capital projects fund. We have multiple projects in the works this year including the softball field, the addition to the Junior High/High School and possibly work to start on the Learning Center on the School Farm. We are budgeting \$3,740,150.00 in the Capital Projects Expenditures this year. Fund 50 operates the food service program (breakfast and hot lunch). The \$345,909.00 is about 2% of the total budget. Our levy also consists of a Community Service Fund (Fund 80). This year we are allotting \$80,000 of our levy to Fund 80. We are increasing our Fund 80 levy this year because we will again be running the Chieftain Care program this year and will be taking our Kinder Academy wages out of Fund 80 this year. Our budget for fund 80 will be \$104,098.00 for youth activities throughout the community. Youth activities includes expenses related to sports and activities for any use of the community including coaches, bussing, supplies, dues, fees, officials and student accident insurance. The Riverdale School District has community recreational activities for all children in the community. Community use of facilities includes expenses when the community groups request use of buildings and sports athletic fields. These would include any additional cleanup costs such as extra time for custodians. This is less than 1% of the total budget.

Mr. Schmidt gave a report on the energy savings from the revenue limit exemption used for energy efficient projects throughout the district. The Riverdale School District exercised its taxing authority to exceed the revenue limit for renewable energy products completed in 2014-2016. The project's phases 1, 2 and 3 are generating water, natural gas (therms) and electric (KWH) savings. Expected performance savings for all 3 phases was \$13,183. Realized performance savings was \$15,395. The project also includes operation and maintenance saving in addition to capital cost avoidance savings in the amount of \$836,815.

Resolutions were approved as follows.

Harry Dugan, community member, had a couple questions regarding ESSER I, ESSER II, and ESSER III funds. Also questions about the softball field.

Motion by Marc Couey, second by Nick Stitzer to approve the resolution for transportation. Motion carried.

Motion by Nick Stitzer, second by Veronica Harris, to approve the student accident insurance provided by the district. Motion carried.

Motion by Dave McHenry, second by Veronica Harris to approve the resolution for compensation of the school board. The rate will be \$100 per monthly meeting for the president and \$85 per monthly meeting for the other board members. Any additional meetings or committee meetings will be paid at a rate of \$40 per meeting and an all-day conference at \$75.00 per day. Motion carried. Nick Stitzer voted no.

Motion by Stacy Hach, second by Marc Couey to approve the hot lunch resolution. Motion carried.

Motion by Veronica Harris, second by Nick Stitzer, to approve the resolution to provide textbooks. Motion carried.

Motion by Nick Stitzer, second by Mark Couey to approve the legal proceedings resolution. Motion carried. This allows the administration to consult and/or hire legal advice for district issues.

Motion by Veronica Harris, second by Stacy Hach to approve the short-term borrowing resolution. Motion carried. This should not be needed for next year but is approved in case of an emergency.

Motion by Dave McHenry, second by Veronica Harris, to approve the resolution to lease properties. Motion carried. District properties are not being leased at this time but this allows the board to approve at a later date.

Motion by Veronica Harris and second by Marc Couey to approve the resolution authoring sale of surplus personal property the district no longer needs. Motion carried.

Motion by Travis Hudson and second by Veronica Harris to approve the resolution authorizing sale of real estate property the district no longer needs. Motion carried.

Mr. Schmidt explained the tax levy for 2021. The tax levy of \$3,354,537 includes \$2,172,268.00 for Fund 10, \$1,102,269.00 for fund 38 (bond payments), and \$80,000 for Fund 80. This sets the mill rate at 8.56 which is the lowest it's been since 2005.

Motion by Dave McHenry, second by Marc Couey to approve the tax levy in the amount of \$3,354,537. Motion carried.

Motion by Stacy Hach, second by Veronica Harris, to approve the annual meeting date resolution, allowing the School Board and Administration to set the date of the next annual meeting. Motion carried.

Motion by Dave McHenry and second by Veronica Harris to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Submitted by:
Mindy Kratochwill
Annual Meeting Clerk
Riverdale School District