

**GERMANTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BUDGET HEARING AND
ANNUAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
September 28, 2020**

BUDGET HEARING

The Budget Hearing was called to order by Board President Robert Soderberg at 7:00 p.m. in the Germantown High School Performing Arts Center. Board President Soderberg and fellow Board members introduced themselves. President Soderberg introduced District Administrator Brett Stousland and Director of Business Brittany Altendorf. Mr. Stousland introduced the administrative staff.

Brett Stousland read the official meeting notification.

Roll Call: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes, Loth – yes, Borden – yes, Barney – yes, Reinemann – yes, Larson – yes.

Brittany Altendorf presented the Energy Exemption and Debt Notification and presented the summary of the budget with Fund 10, revenues and expenditures, and General Fund balance.

District resident Scott Hefle expressed concerns with the General Fund balance and unknown COVID costs. Brittany Altendorf presented history on past projects funded through the General Fund.

Board President Soderberg declared the Budget Hearing adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Germantown School District was called to order by Board President Robert Soderberg at 7:30 p.m. in the high school Performing Arts Center with the Pledge of Allegiance. Board President Soderberg and the Board of Education introduced themselves. Board President Soderberg introduced District Administrator Brett Stousland and Director of Business Brittany Altendorf. Brett Stousland introduced district administration and school district nurse Tammy Mamayak.

Superintendent Stousland read the official meeting notification.

Roll Call: Soderberg – yes, Medved – yes, Loth – yes, Borden – yes, Barney – yes, Reinemann – yes, Larson – yes.

Motion by Larson, second by Barney to elect Board President Robert Soderberg as the chairperson of the Annual Meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

District Administrator Brett Stousland presented the Report from the District Administrator, thanking students, staff, and parents for adapting to the challenges this new school year has presented. The District will continue to move forward and focus areas will be writing and student engagement.

Board President Bob Soderberg welcomed staff, students, parents, and residents and also welcomed new Superintendent Brett Stousland, new Business Manager Brittany Altendorf, and new Board Member Amanda Reinemann. Mr. Soderberg presented the Report of the Board of Education with highlights of the past several years and thanked parents for their patience and thanked the students, staff, volunteers, and business partners who support the mission of the District and fellow Board members.

Director of Business Brittany Altendorf presented the Treasurer's Report of Fund 10 - General fund and reviewed the 2020-2021 Budget, summarizing information presented during the Budget Hearing.

RESOLUTIONS

G1: VOTE A TAX IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150,000 FOR THE PURPOSE OF OPERATING A COMMUNITY SERVICES FUND (FUND 80).

Motion by Barney, second by Larson...NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the electors of the Germantown School District, Washington County, State of Wisconsin, that a tax be levied in the amount of \$150,000 to operate a community services fund for the purpose of offsetting costs associated with general community use of the districts' buildings and sites. Motion carried.

G2: AUTHORIZE A TAX LEVY FOR THE 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by Larson, second by Borden...NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the electors of the Germantown School District, Washington County, State of Wisconsin, that a school tax be assessed against all taxable property within the Germantown School District in the sum of \$37,330,209 necessary to operate and maintain the district school system and to finance the recommended general operating fund, the debt service funds (*including the energy exemption non-referendum and referendum debt levies*), the capital expansion fund, the community service fund, and all obligations for the 2020-2021 school year. Motion carried.

G3: AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO SELL OR LEASE DISTRICT OWNED PROPERTY.

Motion by Larson, second by Reinemann...NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the electors of the Germantown School District, Washington County, State of Wisconsin, authorize the Board of Education to acquire, by purchase or condemnation, real estate and structures and facilities appurtenant to such real estate necessary for school district educational purposes or no longer needed for district educational purposes. Motion carried.

G4: APPROVE SALARIES AND EXPENSE REIMBURSEMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS.


Motion by Reinemann, second by Larson...NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the electors of the Germantown School District, Washington County, State of Wisconsin, that the yearly School Board salaries as established at the September 28, 2020 School District Annual Meeting for the period of July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, should be as follows: President \$5,480 Vice President \$5,480 Treasurer \$5,480 Clerk \$5,480 Other Board Members \$5,480. Be it further resolved that the board members be paid \$40.00 for full-day special functions outside of the district and for the annual tour of the schools, and \$20.00 for half-day special functions or evening functions outside of the district. Out-of-district mileage shall be reimbursed at the current IRS per mile rate. Reimbursement shall be made for other actual necessary expenses (meals, lodging, etc.). Motion carried.

G5: AUTHORIZE THE SCHOOL BOARD TO ESTABLISH THE ANNUAL MEETING DATE AND LOCATION FOR 2021.

Motion by Loth, second by Larson...NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the electors of the Germantown School District, Washington County, State of Wisconsin, authorize the Germantown Board of Education to establish the date and place for the 2021-2022 Annual Meeting with the Annual Meeting starting at 7:30 p.m., excluding the evening of the first school day of the 2021-2022 school year.”

Annual Meeting Chair Robert Soderberg thanked staff and members of the public for attending and declared the Annual Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Jayne Borst
Recording Secretary


Thomas Barney
School District Clerk