LINWOOD, NEW JERSEY May 2, 2017

In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act" of the State of New Jersey adequate notice of this Special meeting has been provided. On April 24, 2017 written notice of this meeting was posted in two schools, City Hall, and the Linwood City Library. On that same date written notice was faxed and mailed to The Press and The Current.

The meeting of the Linwood Board of Education was called to order by Mr. Sless, Board President, in the Schiavo Auditorium, Belhaven Middle School, Linwood, New Jersey, Tuesday, May 2, 2017 6:03 PM.

Mr. Sless led all present in a flag salute.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mrs. Ziereis, Judge Todd, Mr. McLaughlin Mrs. Gibson, Mrs. Scannell, Mr. Sless, Mr, Kahn, Mr. Goldstein, and Mrs. DeMorat

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

**OTHERS PRESENT**: M. Cappelluti, Interim Superintendent, T. Weeks, School Business Administrator, S. Speirs, Principal, C. Flanagan, T. Pizagno, S. Coyle, B. Marino

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** - None

#### **ACTION REQUIRED**

<u>2017-2018 DISTRICT BUDGET –</u> Motion made by Mrs. Ziereis, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, approve the following 2017-2018 school budget resolution.

# 2017-2018 BUDGET RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Linwood Board of Education, Atlantic County approves for the year 2017-2018 a school district budget as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	Local Tax Levy
General Fund	\$14,082,645	\$11,354,178
Special Revenue Fund	242,284_	
Total Budget	\$14,324,929	\$11,354,178

This proposed budget includes sufficient funds to implement the proposed planning process as described in this districts Annual Report pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:7A-11 and to provide curriculum

and instruction which will enable all students to achieve the Core Curriculum Content Standards.

Furthermore, the school district has proposed programs and services in addition to the Core Curriculum Content Standards adopted by the State Board of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2017-2018 budget as described results in a tax levy of \$11,354,178.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to acknowledge that the 2017-2018 budget as described withdraws \$1,012,772 from Fund Balance.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to set the maximum General Fund Travel Budget for the 2017-2018 school year per NJAC 6A:23A-7.3(a) efficiency regulations at \$35,170.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED to set the maximum general fund professional service budget for the 2017-2018 school year per NJAC 6A:23A-5.2 efficiency regulations at \$75,740.

# Capital Reserve Deposits for Excess Costs/Other Cap. Projects

**RESOVLED,** included in the general fund appropriations is \$1,000 designated for deposit from interest earned on the account into the board of education's approved Capital Reserve Account for future funding of other capital projects as outlined in the Long Range Facility Plan. This deposit is for excess costs of the stated school facilities project or an "other" capital project and represents expenditures for construction elements or projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards necessary to achieve the core curriculum content standards.

### Maintenance Reserve Deposits

**RESOVLED,** included in the general fund appropriations is \$500 designated for deposit from interest earned on the account into the board of education's approved Maintenance Reserve Account for future funding of other maintenance projects that are in addition to the facilities efficiency standards necessary to achieve the core curriculum content standards.

Motion: Operations - Finance

Motion carried by roll call vote with all members present voting yes. *Motion approved* 

**Communication** – Included in the packet

**OLD BUSINESS** – None.

**NEW BUSINESS** – None.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** - None

<u>COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD</u> – Mrs. Scannell congratulated the Board for a well put together budget. Mrs. Ziereis thanked the Business Administrator and Superintendent for all the hard work along with the rest of the Administration for their efforts. Judge Todd thanked Mrs. Ziereis for meeting with him to discuss his concerns. He stated he is not fully satisfied since the tax rate is not under 1 cent but rather 1.27 cents. He further stated he wanted to caution the Personnel committee to vet staff openings to see if other staff can be moved. Mr. Sless stated he spoke to the Mayor about the budget. The total impact to the citizens of Linwood is 12.8 cents, pending the county rates, with Linwood schools at only 1.27 cents. Mrs. Gibson stated the district has to continue to right size the staff to student ratio. The Board has to balance the City and taxpayer needs with school needs.

<u>ADJOURNMENT -</u> Motion made by Mrs. Ziereis, seconded by Mrs. DeMorat, to adjourn. (6:20 PM).

Motion carried by roll call vote, all members present voted yes.

Respectfully submitted,

Teri J. Weeks, Business Administrator, Board Secretary