

LINWOOD, NEW JERSEY
March 16, 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 January 12, 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, **Thursday, March 16, 2017 7:04 PM**.

Mr. Sless led all present in a flag salute.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Cappelluti, Interim Superintendent, T. Weeks, School Business Administrator, S. Speirs, Principal, A. Houlk, Solicitor, K. Zaleskiewicz, J. Goldstein, A. Gaud, C. Flanagan, C. Silverberg, MK Pellegrino, F. Pileiro, C. Kahn, M. Simpson, D. Matik, C. Hodgens, M. Merenich, B. Marino, T. Graziotto, J. Cunniff, P. Vaccaro, C. D'Allesandro, A. Iannello

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC - None

Dr. Cappelluti and Mrs. Weeks provided a brief overview of the proposed tentative budget.

ACTION REQUIRED

2017-2018 School District Budget Motion made by Mrs. Ziereis, seconded by Mr. McLaughlin, to approve as amended to remove the reference to the Board of School Estimates, the 2017 - 2018 tentative School District budget to be submitted to the county office for approval. The total overall budget including \$242,284 of Special Revenue Funds is \$14,324,929.

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a school district budget for the FY 2017-18 School Year for submission to the County office for review as follows:

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

Regular General Fund Tax Levy-Base Budget

RESOLVED, That there should be raised for General Funds \$11,354,178 for the ensuing FY 2017-2018 School Year.

RESOLVED, That Excess fund balance of \$921,772 and additional fund balance of \$100,000 be appropriated for a total of \$1,012,772 to support the 2017-2018 budget.

Capital Reserve Deposits for Excess Costs/Other Cap. Projects

RESOLVED, 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

RESOLVED, 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.

Discussion: Judge Todd stated that he did not have enough time to evaluate the budget and therefore will be abstaining.

Mrs. Gibson stated that the budget is still under consideration and changes may occur.

Mrs. Ziείς stated that she is the chair of the Operations Committee who has been meeting for several months to review the overall budget. It is a fiscally responsible budget and takes into account administrative requests and taxpayer concerns. Thank you to Mrs. Weeks and Dr. Cappelluti in recognition of their efforts.

Mrs. Scannell stated that she will also abstain and that her vote is not a vote of no confidence.

Judge Todd stated that his vote is not necessary to submit the budget to the county office.

Mr. Sless thanked the staff for all that they do.

Motion carried by roll call vote, all members present voted yes except Mrs. Scannell and Judge Todd who abstained.

Motion approved.

Communication – Included in the packet

OLD BUSINESS – None.

NEW BUSINESS – None.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC – None

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD – None

ADJOURNMENT - Motion made by Mrs. Ziereis, seconded by Mrs. DeMorat, to adjourn.
(7:48 PM).

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

Respectfully submitted,

Teri J. Weeks, Business Administrator,
Board Secretary