

Monroe School District #1J  
Regular Board Meeting &  
Public Hearing on 2018-19 Budget  
Held at Monroe High School  
June 11, 2018

The board meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Tim Warden at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Tim Warden, Tony Stroda, Superintendent Bill Crowson and Secretary Christine Manley. Via phone: Bre Miller.

Also present: Employee Lexi DeVicq, Corinne Klein, Kim Geil, Marie-Louise Martinson; Monroe City Councilor Floyd Billings; Patrons Brian Lillie, Scott Hicks, Steve Martinson.

Tyler Sherman reviewed and signed his Oath of Office. Tony Stroda moved to approve the appointment of Tyler Sherman to the Zone 1 Board seat through the end of the term, June 30, 2019.

Bre Miller left the meeting at this time.

Vice-Chair Warden opened the Budget Hearing. Mr. Crowson explained the changes to the budget approved by the Budget Committee. Budget figures have been adjusted to correct the calculation of ad valorem taxes to include the Umpqua Bank loan payments which allowed the District to borrow funds in lieu of levying taxes this past year. The changes do not relate to a tax amount already certified to the Benton County Assessor and were published correctly. There were no questions from the audience.

The minutes of the Regular Board Meeting 05/14/18, Budget Committee Meeting 05/15/18, Special Board Meeting 06/04/18, and Special Board Meeting 6/07/18 were reviewed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the minutes as written. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 3/0.

Agenda items were reviewed and the following added:

9. New Business:
  - C. Approve Development Agreement, City of Monroe

The listing of bills and expenditure statements were reviewed. Mr. Crowson explained that the district will be changing propane vendors to cut costs.

Tony Stroda explained that negotiations with the teachers went well and Board members have a tentative agreement before them.

No objections were made to approving contracts for the teachers, confidential employee, and administrators for 2018-19.

Kerri Hicks will be transferred to the high school secretary's position beginning with the 2018-19 school year.

Tony Stroda moved to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. Second: Tyler Sherman.  
Motion carried 3/0.

Mr. Crowson explained that the construction fences are up now at the grade school and staff is moving out of their classrooms.

Floyd Billings, City of Monroe, said that construction on the Dollar General store is moving along, the Brewery plans on opening in October, and new house water/sewer permits have been issued. Plans are to build 15-20 homes this year (55 total).

There was no report from the Parent Group and no Public Input.

Enrollment K-12 was reported as 408 at the end of May. The board requested past enrollment figures.

Mr. Crowson explained the school year ended last week. We have advertised for the middle school Social Studies/Language Arts position and have received a lot of applications. The annual ice cream social will be held Wednesday at 1:00 and board members are invited to attend.

The Board reviewed the leave of absence request for Lexi DeVicq. Mr. Crowson explained that he has received a very well organized list of duties. He believes that some duties can be covered by the administrative intern, the building principal, and the two senior advisors. He may look for a half-time substitute. He feels confident that they can cover. Mrs. DeVicq commented that she will be available for phone calls. Tony Stroda moved to approve the request. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 3/0.

At 7:30 PM Board Vice-Chair called for final input on the 2018-19 budget. As there was no public input, the Hearing was closed. The Board reviewed Resolutions 1718-002 through 1718-004 to adopt the 2018-19 budget as amended, making appropriations, imposing and categorizing taxes. Tony Stroda moved to approve the resolutions as presented. Second: Tyler Sherman. Motion carried 3/0.

The Development Agreement with the City of Monroe was reviewed. In essence, this agreement will be cost neutral to the District; no bond funds will be used to extend 6<sup>th</sup> Street. This will alleviate some traffic safety concerns. After review, Tyler Sherman moved to approve the Agreement as written. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 3/0.

Vice-Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.