

Monroe School District #1J
Regular Board Meeting
Held at Monroe High School Library
April 10, 2017

The board meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Warden at 6:30 P.M.

Members present: Robert Warden, Tim Warden, Tony Stroda, Superintendent Randall Crowson, and Secretary Christine Manley. Late: Jennifer Gamache.

Member Absent: Nancy Burnett

Also present: Employee Bill Crowson.

The meeting moved to executive session as per ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations, ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection, and ORS 192.660(2)(h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

The meeting returned to open session at 7:00 PM. Chair Gamache called order.

Members present: Jennifer Gamache, Robert Warden, Tim Warden, Tony Stroda, Superintendent Randall Crowson, Secretary Christine Manley, and Student Council Representative Zack Esplin.

Member absent: Nancy Burnett.

Also present: Employees Bill Crowson, Whitney Connolly; Patrons Alan Rutherford, Christina Hull, Monroe City Mayor Paul Canter, and Monroe City Administrator Rick Hohnbaum.

Chair Gamache opened the Supplemental Budget Hearing. The Board and Superintendent reviewed the budget changes. There was no public input. The Board will continue with the regular agenda until there is public input for the supplemental budget.

The minutes of the March 13, 2017 Board meeting was reviewed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the minutes as presented. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

There was one correction to the agenda: Resolution 1617-006 not -001.

The bills were reviewed and discussed. Mr. Crowson commented that Cintas is willing to stop delivery of overstock at the high school. The grade school currently orders supplies as needed. There are three more years on this contract.

The following items were reviewed without discussion:

- C. Approval to hire:
 - 1) Jeff Jorgensen, Grade School Custodian
 - 2) Tammy Bayliss, Grade School Special Education Aide

- D. Review of Volunteer Coach:
 - 1) Kent Knaggs, Softball Coach
- E. Approval of Interdistrict Transfer Request to Junction City School District 2016-17:
 - 1) Devin Allinson, grade 11
- F. Approve Open Enrollment applications 2017-18

Robert Warden moved to approve the Consent Agenda as corrected. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

The following thank you letters were reviewed: Kay Dykstra, Apache Transport, Audra Terry Photography, Junction City Dairy Queen, Benton-Lane Winery, Chrystena Gorham, Lyndy Baker, Lane Shetterly, Angela Hornaday & Steven Schindler. Thank you!

City Administrator Rick Hohnbaum explained that Dollar General is approved to build their store on the corner of Kelly and Highway 99W. He is hopeful to continue developing residential housing.

Christina Hull reported on the last Parent Group meeting. Their current balance is \$12,600. The April 7 Spaghetti Feed/Bingo/Raffle Night went well. The Spring Carnival has been cancelled this year because there are not enough parent volunteers to help. They have moved their meeting to the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM. They talked about having a translator at the meetings. Also, field day activities were discussed and officer nominations have been moved to October due to lack of participation.

Student Council Representative Zack Esplin reported that the Council continues the Benny's Pizza Sales. With elections for the new year coming up, they discussed having a pizza party for the new and out-going officers. The Council discussed having a Student Representative for the City Council meetings. The Council voted to not set this as a separate position, but made it an option for the Student Representative to the School Board to attend the city council meetings.

Tim Warden reported on the first Citizen's Advisory Committee Meeting. The board had received good applications and appointed the following to the Committee: Dennis Brandt, Mathew Richardson, Greg Wright, Lance Horning, and Brian Lillie. The meetings will be held the 4th Monday each month at 7:00 PM and are open to the public. Ryan McAllister from Gerding Builders and Alan Rutherford will be the district's ambassadors to the public. There is no chair, but structured as a group effort. This Committee will provide extra "eyes" on the projects and will report back to the School Board each month. They would like to change the name to Citizens Review Committee rather than *Advisory* Committee. The heating system and roofing at the grade school are very high priorities. Minimal building permits will be needed for the projects this summer. They will begin working on RFPs for next summer's projects.

Christina Hull requested clarification of the MOE/Special Education \$100,000 fine mentioned at last month's meeting. Mr. Crowson explained that the "fine" equal funds withheld from the State,

not a bill that the district pays. The District belongs to a consortium within the ESD district. The process is very complicated, but communication needs to exist between the superintendent and the Board. Tony Stroda commented that the Board has grown used to the Superintendent doing his job, and they trust him until they find out that they cannot trust him. Mrs. Hull commented that she couldn't understand how the Board wouldn't know about it. She thinks the Board does an amazing job, thank you!

Enrollment at the end of March was reported as 433 students K-12.

The Administrative Update included the following:

- He and Bill Crowson are working with the (ESD) Tier 2 money and eliminating some services for 2017-18 so that we can break even.
- The Honor Society Banquet was a success. There are currently 19 members. Great job!
- The new Master Electrician for the District is Erickson Electric from Junction City. He will notify the County.
- Lory Bechtold would like Crowson Bus to transport her and the Art in the Park kids to the coast this summer for her "retirement". Crowson Bus needs permission from the Board in order to do that. There were no objections.
- He would like to amend the Crowson Bus contract to make ten equal payments instead of nine equal payments. There is no dollar increase, just add one payment and make all payments a bit smaller. There were no objections.
- He found out that the high school has been approved to hold the summer food program. Approval has nothing to do with facility or equipment, but hinges on the poverty rate. The poverty rate at the high school has increased and now the site qualifies.
- He would like to open up the SafeSchools training to the public and charge each person \$25 to take the classes.

There was no old business.

Alan Rutherford presented an "Owner's Representative" proposal to the Board. He explained that he was a licensed contractor for 38 years (now retired), was on the grade school board for 14 years, and Dragon Pride for 8 years. He would assist the Board by supervising the bond projects and seismic upgrade grant projects, and working with the City and County permits. Robert Warden moved to approve hiring Mr. Rutherford as the Monroe Owner's Representative. Second: Tony Stroda. Motion carried 4/0.

Robert Warden moved to appoint Tony Stroda and Tim Warden as the Board's representatives to the Citizen's Advisory Committee. Second: Jennifer Gamache. Motion carried 4/0.

There are seismic grant funds available for the high school but the District would need to add matching funds. The seismic rehabilitation projects on this campus may exceed three million. Tim Warden is going to do further exploration.

The 2017-18 academic calendar was reviewed and discussed. Tony Stroda moved to approve the calendar as presented. Second: Robert Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

Tony Stroda moved to approve Teacher & Guidance Counselor Appreciation Week, May 1-5, 2017. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

The 2017-18 purchased services agreement for Kokkeler Lawn & Landscape Care, Inc. was reviewed. This agreement includes an increase of 2.6% which is the current CPI. Tony Stroda moved to approve as presented. Second: Robert Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

The Chair again called for input on the supplemental budget. There was no input. The Board reviewed the resolution to adopt the 2016-17 supplemental budget. Tony Stroda moved to approve the resolution as written. Second: Tim Warden. Motion carried 4/0.

The meeting was adjourned by Chair Gamache at 8:00 P.M.

An announcement to the general public: Remember the Howell Fundraiser on April 14: dinner at 5:30, live auction will follow at 7:15.

Jennifer Gamache, Board Chair

Christine Manley, Board Secretary