

**NORTH MONTGOMERY COMMUNITY SCHOOL CORPORATION
BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES
PRELIMINARY AND DETERMINATION HEARING
Monday, January 22, 2018
Immediately following the Regular Meeting**

The North Montgomery Board of School Trustees met at the Central Administration Office, 480 West 580 North, Crawfordsville, Indiana. Representing the Administration was Superintendent Dr. Colleen Moran and Director of Business & Transportation, Jim McBee. Members present: Gary Bohlander, Jess Cain, Kathy Crawford, Teresa Hatke, Gerald Hole, Karin Odle, and Michael Shepherd.

PRELIMINARY AND DETERMINATION HEARING

Mrs. Odle called the hearing to order at 6:11 p.m.

President Karin Odle explained to the Board that under Indiana Code 6-1.-20-3.5 whenever a school corporation proposes to construct or renovate a school building at a cost in excess of one million dollars, it must first hold a public hearing. Additionally, another purpose of the meeting was that under Indiana Code 6-1.1-20-3.5 whenever a school corporation proposes to enter into a lease agreement and/or issue bonds for the construction or renovation of a school building resulting in costs in excess of \$15,000,000.00, the school corporation is required to hold two public hearings on its preliminary determination to issue such bonds and enter into such lease agreement. The first hearing on the preliminary determination for the Projects (as defined herein) was held on January 9, 2018. Notice of both hearings was published in The Journal Review and the Paper on December 23, 2017, and was mailed to the Montgomery County Clerk and any organizations previously requesting such notice as provided in Indiana code 6-1.1-20-3.5. The proofs of publication of notice of the hearings were presented at the meeting.

Mrs. Odle explained that all interested people may give testimony and/or ask questions concerning the proposed renovation of and improvements to Sugar Creek Elementary School, Pleasant Hill Elementary School, Lester B. Sommer Elementary School, Northridge Middle School and North Montgomery High School (the "Projects"). The purpose of this hearing was two-fold: (1) to inform the public as to the proposed Projects; and (2) to allow all interested parties, taxpayers and patrons of the School Corporation to voice their opinions as to the Projects and ask questions.

Presentation of the Proposed Renovation Projects

Dr. Moran presented an evaluation of the existing facilities, including the building plan explaining the proposed Projects. The estimated cost and schedule for the Projects were also presented to the public. Mr. McBee explained how these Projects could be funded and the tax rate impact the Projects would have on the community.

Mrs. Odle then announced that the Board would hear testimony and questions from the public. Testimony was given by several patrons. No concerns or opposition was expressed.

Mr. Erik Long from ICE Miller, Bond Counsel, reviewed the resolutions with the Board.

Dr. Moran asked the Board to approve the Project Resolution (exhibit A) at a cost of more than one million dollars per building as presented.

Mr. Bohlander made a motion to approve the Project Resolution (exhibit A) as presented. Mr. Shepherd made a second to the motion and the motion passed. Mrs. Crawford made a statement that the questions that she submitted to the Board and Dr. Moran via email dated 1-16-18 in regards to the presentation/resolutions were not answered. Mr. Bohlander asked Mr. Long if the resolutions are bound by state law. Mr. Long responded by saying that the resolutions and paperwork are in line with satisfying the statutory requirements. Mr. Hole responded by saying that Mrs. Crawford has been given opportunities to ask any questions one on one but she has not come forward with those questions or concerns or responded to phone calls or emails to set up a date and time to meet to discuss. Dr. Moran responded by saying that she and Mr. McBee deliberately answered

those questions publicly in the presentation tonight. Mr. Shepherd responded by saying the questions have been answered in tonight's presentation. Mr. Shepherd called question. Mrs. Crawford voted nay against the motion.

Dr. Moran asked the Board to approve the Preliminary Determination Resolution (exhibit B) to issue bonds and enter into a lease agreement in order to complete the Projects as presented.

Mr. Shepherd made a motion to approve the Preliminary Determination Resolution (exhibit B) as presented. Mr. Cain made a second to the motion and the motion passed. Mrs. Crawford voted nay against the motion.

Dr. Moran asked the Board to approve the Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures (exhibit C) as presented.

Mr. Hole made a motion to approve the Official Intent to Reimburse Expenditures (exhibit C) as presented. Mrs. Hatke made a second to the motion and the motion passed. Mrs. Crawford voted nay against the motion.

Mrs. Odle thanked everyone who planned the presentations on the Projects and all the work that went into them.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, Mrs. Hatke made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Shepherd gave a second to the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Attest:



President, Board of School Trustees



Secretary, Board of School Trustees