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**KEYPORT BOARD OF EDUCATION  
BUDGET HEARING & REGULAR MINUTES  
APRIL 30, 2014**

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**1.0 Opening Procedures**

1.1 The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Board President Malinconico, in the Keyport High School Conference Room 108, 351 Broad Street.

1.2 Flag Salute

1.3 Opening Statement

“Public notice of this meeting has been advertised in the Asbury Park Press on April 22, 2014, in the legal notices. Notice has been posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of 1975, Chapter 231, effective January 16, 1976, in the Board Office, 370 Broad Street. A copy of this notice is also on file in the office of the Borough Clerk.”

This meeting is being tape-recorded for the purpose of Board review and future reference and to assist in the preparation of minutes.

1.4 Roll Call

Mr. Biagianti	Mr. Henning, Vice Pres.
Mr. Bright( <b>absent</b> )	Ms. King-Cote
Ms. Burke	Mrs. Malinconico, President
Mr. Cooper	Mrs. Panzarelli
Ms. Durkin, UB Rep.*	Mr. White

Student Council Representative: Victoria Gonzalez (**absent**)

*\*Union Beach representative abstains on all matters other than matters relating to Keyport High School Union Beach students.*

**2.0 Presentation of the 2014-2015 School Budget**

Mrs. Savoia and Mr. McManus presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the 2014-2015 Keyport School Budget. The PowerPoint slides are included as an attachment to these minutes and are also posted on the Keyport District web site.

**3.0 Public Participation – Agenda Items**

- Mrs. Joanne Staeger, Keyport, questioned the need for a new playground at the Keyport Central School

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- Dr. Ed McNamara, Maple Lane, Keyport asked the following questions and expressed the following issues:
  - given enrollment is flat and special education students are declining, will there be a corresponding reduction in staff
  - questioned the development of academies given there is such a small high school student population
  - questioned the number of shared students on the enrollment projections
  - questioned the number of private school placements
  - questioned the French foreign language course offering
  - expressed his disagreement with a new parking lot which is not subject to ROD Grant funding
  - questioned the athletic field overuse by the town and inquired about how this would be controlled in the future
  - stated his concern about the district use of excess surplus to fund the subsequent year budget and its long term viability
  - inquired about Merit Goals for district employees for the 2014-2015 school year
  - inquired about whether the district has considered part time teachers over the long term to save on health care costs
- Mr. Michael Lane, First St., Keyport asked the following questions and expressed the following issues:
  - expressed his concern about the economics of the district given enrollment declines at the high school and stated what his tax increase is expected to be
  - quoted from page 51 and 52 of the budget regarding the district objectives and his belief that it is “business as usual” for the district
  - expressed his belief that the district needs to have a plan for the future
  - stated that technology has changed the educational environment
  - stated that he has difficulty believing that the district cannot find \$166,000 in the budget in savings to keep the tax increase at 2%
  - stated that the district needs to come up with an “out of the box” solution and stated his belief that the solution involves technology
  - inquired about how the district can flatten taxes in the long term
- Mrs. Joanne Staeger, Keyport inquired about the Central School Air Conditioning project and also the electrical upgrade project in the Central School
- Mr. Michael Lane, Keyport-stated that the Borough of Keyport is bidding their healthcare services and inquired about school district participation in the bid

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- Mrs. Sheridan, Kearney St., Keyport thanked Mr. Lane and Dr. McNamara for their participation. Mrs. Sheridan then inquired about the bus issue with the upcoming prom
- Ms. Taylor Sheridan, Kearney St., Keyport also inquired about the issue and provided more details from a student council perspective
- Ms. Cerelle White, Fulton St., Keyport-spoke about the Prom bus issue
- Ms. Taylor Sheridan, Keyport stated that we do not want a bus if we have to pay for a bus. If the bus is free, we will take the bus.
- Mrs. Sheridan stated that the cost of the Prom is already expensive at \$85 per ticket and inquired about the pay for the chaperones for the prom. She stated her disappointment that an administrator has to be paid as a chaperone and the price of the ticket is so high.
- Mrs. Cerelle White, Keyport stated that the Keyport High School enrollment is low but the pre-school enrollment is going up. Mrs. White expressed her belief that it is important for the students to be interacting with people and not only computers. She stated our kids need a lot of things which will require the raising of taxes. Mrs. White said that the district class size is huge and requires the addition of more staff.
- Mr. Lane, Keyport stated that it is amazing what students particularly young students can do with technology
- Mrs. Nancy Jones, Washington St., Keyport inquired about the Athletic Field plan and schedule

## **4.0 Finance**

### **Adoption of the 2014-2015 School Year Budget And Tax Levy**

#### 4.1 Recommend the Board approve the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Keyport Board of Education adopted a tentative budget on March 19, 2014, to be submitted to the Executive County Superintendent of Schools for approval, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was approved by the Executive County Superintendent of Schools on April 15, 2014, and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was advertised in the legal section of the Asbury Park Press on April 22, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the tentative budget was presented to the public during a public hearing on April 30, 2014; and

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WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for General Fund Expenses shall be \$19,570,990, of which \$8,623,074 shall be raised by tax levy, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for Special Revenue Fund Expense shall be \$996,183, of which \$0.00 shall be raised by tax levy, and

WHEREAS, the total amount of the budget for Debt Service Expense shall be \$759,964, of which \$304,883 shall be raised by tax levy.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Keyport Board of Education hereby adopts the 2014-2015 School Year budget and,

BE IT RESOLVED that there should be raised for the General Funds \$8,623,074 for the ensuing School Year 2014-2015 and

BE IT RESOLVED that there should be raised for Debt Service Funds, \$304,883 for the ensuing School Year 2014-2015.

**Implement 2014-2015 Budget**

- 4.2 Recommend the Board approve the following item:

To authorize the Superintendent and the Business Administrator/Board Secretary to implement the 2014-2015 budget pursuant to local and state policies.

- 4.3 Whereas, bids were advertised for partial HVAC Replacement Project in the Keyport High School and bids were opened on Tuesday, April 1, 2014, at exactly 3 p.m. with the following result:

Bids were received from:

Gabe Sganga	\$141,927
Midcoast Mechanical	\$152,799
Amco Enterprises, Inc.	\$179,000
Gaudelli Brothers	No bid
Performance Mechanical Corp	\$144,200
Bill Leary A/C and Heating	\$108,900
EACM Corp	\$174,420
Bayshore Mechanical Contractors	No bid
Thassian Mechanical Contractors	\$164,000
Burlew Mechanical, LLC	\$110,500

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Now Therefore, Be It Resolved That, the Keyport Board of Education award a contract to the low bidder, Bill Leary A/C and Heating, in the amount of \$108,900 for HVAC Replacement Project in the Keyport High School.

- 4.4 Whereas, bids were advertised for Partial Window Replacement Project in Keyport High School and bids were opened on Friday, March 14, 2014, at exactly 3 p.m. with the following result:

Bids were received from:

D&E Window and Door	\$248,800
1 <sup>st</sup> Westco Corp.	\$226,300
Whitestone Construction Corp.	\$594,000
Panoramic Window and Door Systems	\$206,400
Northeastern Interior Services	\$244,000
EMSA Energy	\$273,490
Cordoba Construction	No bid

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved That, the Keyport Board of Education award a contract to the low bidder, Panoramic Window and Door Systems, in the amount of \$206,400 for Partial Window Replacement Project in the Keyport High School.

- 4.5 Motion that the Board approve the Consortia Shared Service Agreement between the Keyport Board of Education and the Educational Information & Resource Center (EIRC) for the 2014-2015 school year.
- 4.6 Motion that the Board approve the shared services agreement between Educational Information & Resource Center (EIRC) and the Keyport Board of Education for Implementation of Security Systems in the Keyport High School, Keyport Central School and the Keyport Administrative Building. This is associated with the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs Identification Number 239 EIRCCPS.

The costs associated with the projects are:

<u>Project</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Keyport High School Security	\$97,364.43 (NJSDA Grant Eligible)
Keyport Central School Security	\$39,768.57 (NJSDA Grant Eligible)
Keyport Administrative Building Security	\$12,274.00 (not NJSDA Eligible)

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- 4.7 Motion that the Board approve Whirl Construction to supply Playground Equipment and Surfacing for the Keyport Central School Playground Renovation project under State Contract Number 81412 in the amount of \$117,354.00 (NJSDA Grant Eligible)

A motion was made by Mr. Henning and seconded by Mr. Cooper to move items 4.1 through 4.7 and carried by a unanimous roll call vote of 9-0.

**5.0 Public Participation**

**6.0 Adjournment to Executive Session (NONE)**

There was no Executive Session this evening.

**7.0 Adjournment**

- 7.1 Upon motion by Mr. Henning, seconded by Ms. Burke, the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Edward F. McManus  
Board Secretary/Business Administrator

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