

Watersmeet Township School District

Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing

June 28, 2021

5:00pm

President P. Peterson Jr. called the online meeting to order at 5:05pm and began with the pledge.

Present: P. Peterson Jr., T. Holland, J. Chiochios, M. Hazen, S. Klingman,
T. Pallin by Roll call.

Absent: T. Williams

Motion by T. Holland, second by M. Hazen to approve the agenda. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Visitors: None

Budget Hearing

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to accept the proposed budget as presented. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Nay, T. Pallin-Aye. 6 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

LVD Representation: Karrie Wichtman, General Counsel for LVD Tribe

Student Council Representation: None

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to move Mrs. Zelinski into Title I and Mr. Besonen to have combined 5th and 6th grade classrooms for the 2021-2022 school year. (Posting for the 6th grade teacher will continue until the beginning of the school year). Mr. Besonen will get paid according to the teacher's contract. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Pallin, second by T. Holland to accept the minutes from the May 24, 2021 meeting. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Pallin, second by J. Chiochios to accept the minutes from the June 2, 2021 meeting. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to start Emily Gritt, our new Art teacher, at Step 5 on the pay scale. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Motion by S. Klingman, second by T. Holland to hire Amy Wheeler as our school nurse for an annual salary of \$46,890. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Nay, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Nay. 4 ayes, 2 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to hire Doug Williams to haul our school garbage for \$250 a month instead of paying Eagle Waste at approximately double. Mr. Peterson will look into if we have a contract with Eagle Waste and if so, when it will expire. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.


Discussion took place regarding if COVID restrictions are lifted 100%, we will then resume normal school operations. All students will then be expected to attend in person.

Motion by T. Holland, second by J. Chiochios to hire Amber Giannola as the secretary/receptionist. This position will also be a 12-month employee position. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

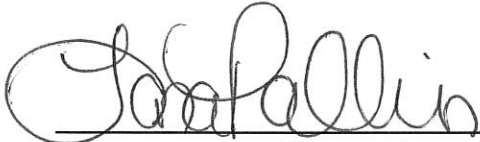
Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to allow Mr. Peterson, Superintendent, and Mrs. Williams, Administrative Assistant a credit card from Settler's Federal Credit Union with a \$5,000 credit limit on each card. These cards would be attached to the Activity Fund, Acct. #422420. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.

Principal's report was gone over.

Motion by T. Holland, second by T. Pallin to adjourn at 7:41pm. Roll call vote: P.Peterson-Aye, S. Klingman-Aye, J. Chiochios-Aye, T. Holland-Aye, M. Hazen – Aye, T. Pallin-Aye. All ayes-Motion carried.



President, P. Peterson Jr.



Secretary, T. Pallin