MSD of NEW DURHAM TOWNSHIP

School Board Work Session

Minutes of April 21, 2020

Executive Session: None

Those in Attendance:

Board Members

Staff

Karen Jedrysek Lynn Wilson Vicki Hannon Mark Parkman Wayne Hodge

Sandra Wood, Superintendent

1) Call to Order

Mrs. Jedrysek, Board President, called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

2) Pledge of Allegiance

3) Roll Call

4) Update and Discussion of Construction Project Planned for Summer 2020

Dr. Wood opened the meeting with an overview of the timeline and where we are in the process.

Dr. Wood and the board came to an agreement to postpone all construction scheduled for this summer. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the board is very

concerned about the financial stability of our district within the next few years and until we know more about the length and impact of the economic shutdown, they do not feel that it would be fiscally responsible to borrow money at this time. After talking to multiple experts and other superintendents, Dr. Wood also agrees with their decision and believes it is the right one given the current situation.

Dr. Wood and the board will continue to monitor the situation with monthly reports from Baker Tilly (our financial consultants) in the hopes that we can borrow the money soon to still take advantage of the lower interest rates. If the economy reopens in the next few weeks, it is possible that we could rebound quickly and be ok to borrow the money in the fall.

The only part of the project the board is considering to move forward with is the phone and the PA system which could be completed this summer. The cost of that project would come from the GO Bond from 2017, if it is affordable.

5) Adjournment

Mrs. Jedrysek adjourned the meeting at 5:16 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting Date:

Wednesday, June 10, 2020 - 6:00 p.m. in the Media Center

Lynn/Wilson, Secretary

5/19/2020