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The Budget Hearing Meeting of the Board of Education of Madison Central School was held on May 7, 2019 at 6:30 pm in the auditorium.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ms. Jessica Clark  
Ms. Stephanie Clark  
Mr. Mike Filipovich  
Mrs. Jennifer Lavoie  
Mrs. Brittany Rizzo  
Mr. Jona Snyder  
Mr. Steve Yancey

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Mr. Michael Davis, Superintendent  
Mr. Larry Nichols, Building Principal  
Mr. Brian Latella, Elementary Principal  
Mrs. Melanie Brouillette, Treasurer  
Ms. Tracey Lewis, District Clerk

- I. Call to Order
  1. Ms. Clark, president, called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.
  
- II. Budget Hearing Presentation – The 2019-20 Budget was presented at this time.
  
- III. Public Forum
  1. A question was asked regarding the heating expenses of the school. Has the change to propane actually resulted in a cost savings and can the taxpayers see a line item on the budget that says propane as well as fuel oil? Also, can the district provide a cost analysis of the heating expenses as they have evolved from fuel oil to propane?
  2. Concerns were raised over the bus driver shortage. Questions were asked as to what the district is doing to attract new drivers. Also, should the district consider raising their pay rates for drivers?
  3. Questions were asked about the new buses slated to be purchased being gas engines. Should the taxpayers expect the gas expense to be higher in the budget?
  4. A comment was made that it is disappointing to see so few people attending the Budget Hearings. The lack of public interest in the school districts management is discouraging.
  5. A question was raised asking for clarification from the past energy performance contract and how we could prove any cost savings from the switch to propane.
  6. A question was asked for clarity on how the Capital Reserve Account works.
  7. A question was asked about the amount of allocated supply lines for capital and teachers are distributed.
  8. Questions were asked about the equalization rates and the effect these rates have on the school budget.
  
- IV. Superintendent Discussion Items
  1. School Audit Response Letter

### **MOTION # 1 – APPROVAL OF AUDIT RESPONSE LETTER**

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Snyder, seconded by Mrs. Rizzo, the board moved to approve the district's Audit Response Letter as provided. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

2. Capital Outlay Letter

**MOTION # 2 – ACCEPTANCE OF CAPITAL OUTLAY LETTER**

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Rizzo, the board moved accept the March Associates proposal for the Capital Outlay Project. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

V. Approval Item

1. Approval of Gary Anderson as Budget Vote Inspector

**MOTION # 3 – APPROVAL OF VOTE INSPECTOR**

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Lavoie, seconded by Mr. Filipovich, the board moved to approve Gary Anderson as the Vote Inspector for the annual vote on May 21, 2019. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

2. Approval of Surplus List as provided

**MOTION # 4 – APPROVAL OF SURPLUS LIST**

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Rizzo, the board moved to approve the surplus list as provided. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

**MOTION # 5 – ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Lavoie, the board moved to enter Executive Session at 7:26 pm to discuss the medical, financial, credit or **employment history** of a particular person or corporation or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation. Mr. Davis was invited to attend. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

**MOTION # 6 – ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND RESUME REGULAR SESSION**

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Lavoie, seconded by Mr. Filipovich, the board moved to adjourn Executive Session and Resume the Regular Meeting at 7:50 pm. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

VI. New Business

1. Resignation

a. Elijah Hafelin – Bus Driver effective 5/17/19

**MOTION # 7 – ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION**

ON THE MOTION of Mrs. Rizzo, seconded by Mr. Filipovich, the board moved to accept the resignation of Elijah Hafelin as a Bus Driver effective 5/17/19. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.

VII. Adjournment

**MOTION # 8 – ADJOURNMENT**

ON THE MOTION of Mr. Filipovich, seconded by Mrs. Lavoie, the board moved to adjourn for the evening at 7:53 pm. Motion carried 7 yes, 0 no.