

Minutes

Annual Meeting
ELMIRA HEIGHTS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
Elmira Heights, New York

Tuesday May 16, 2017

Call To Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 am by Chairman Kenneth Erickson

Legal Notice, Petitions Filed, Qualification of Voters

District Clerk Colleen Dengler:

1. Reported that the legal notice for the annual meeting was published as required on March 30, April 15, April 30, & May 9, 2017.
2. Reported that one petition filed for 2 Board of Education seats, one vacant seat available immediately +5 year term and one seat for 5 year term to commence July 1, 2017 was received from :
 Christopher Callas (incumbent) 101 Oakwood Ave Elmira Heights, NY 14903
3. Read qualifications of voters as follows:
 - must be a United States Citizen
 - must be 18 years old on or before May 16, 2017
 - must be a resident of the Elmira Heights Central School District for 30 days prior to May 16, 2017

Poll Workers

Chairman Kenneth Erickson reported that the Board of Education on April 12, 2017 appointed the Chairman, Chief Inspector, Inspector and Clerks to work during voting hours.

Voting

A motion was made by Deb Sherman, seconded by Rebecca Arthur and passing unanimously to proceed with the voting from 7:00 A.M. to 8:00 P.M. or until all those present in the room have voted.

At this point the Chairman directed the Inspectors to inspect the ballot box and declared the voting to begin

Polls Closed (8:00pm)

After all in the room had voted, Chairman Kenneth Erickson, declared voting closed, at which time the Inspectors were directed to tally the votes and file the certificate of tellers.

Results Announced

286 Total Number of Voters

PROPOSITION NO. 1 [Budget 2017-2018 \$21,376,148] PASSED

BE IT RESOLVED, that the proposed budget of \$21,376,148 of the Elmira Heights Central School District for 2017-2018, be approved in accordance with Section 2022 of the Education Law and that the balance of said budget after applying available public moneys thereto be raised by a tax upon the taxable property of said District. Adoption of this budget requires a tax levy increase of 2.49% which does not exceed the statutory limit of 4.99% for this school fiscal year and therefore does not exceed the state tax cap and must be approved by a simple majority, more than fifty percent of the qualified voters present and voting.

239	Number of votes cast in favor	PASSED
46	Number of votes cast against	
<u>1</u>	Blank/void votes	
286	Total	

PROPOSITION NO. 2 [School Buses - 2] PASSED

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Elmira Heights Central school district is hereby authorized to undertake the acquisition of two 65-passenger school buses, at an estimated maximum cost of \$238,000, less trade-in value, if any, and that such costs, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed such estimated maximum cost shall be issued, or the school district may enter into an installment purchase contract if the board of education determines that it is in the best interest of the school district to finance the purchase in that method.

233	Number of votes cast in favor	PASSED
52	Number of votes cast against	
<u>1</u>	Blank/void votes	
286	Total	

PROPOSITION NO. 3 [Capital Reserve Fund] PASSED

Shall the Board of Education establish a capital reserve fund under the provisions of Education Law §3651(1)? The purpose of the fund is for construction, repair, and reconstruction of capital improvements and the acquisition of equipment. The ultimate amount of the fund shall be \$5,000,000 plus earnings thereon. The probable term shall be 10 years. The source from which funds will be obtained can include any or all of the following: an initial transfer of \$50,000 from unappropriated fund balance made during the 2017-18 school year, non-appropriated fund balances from the general fund as determined by the Board of Education, from time to time; State aid related to expenditures from the capital reserve fund; interest income related to the investment of money in the fund and any other additional monies hereafter authorized by the voters of the District.

245	Number of votes cast in favor	PASSED
39	Number of votes cast against	
<u>2</u>	Blank/void votes	
286	Total	

ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER [1 seat May 17, 2017-June 30, 2022 (vacant)] [1 seat July 1, 2017-June 30, 2022]

210	Christopher Callas	Winner		
12	Lisa Benedict	Winner - write - in		
36	write-ins - (1 Mark Benedict)	(2 Bill Brewer)	(6 Carl Berman)	(1 Tammy Butler)
	(2 Alison Capilli)	(2 John Cole)	(3 James Cosgrove)	(1 Joan Freeman)
	(1 Tim Hourihan)	(1 Richard Lasko)	(3 Alex Melville)	(1 Gary Patelunas)
	(2 David Rosenthal)	(2 Mark Shaw)	(7 Michelle Slaven)	(1 Margaret Smith)
<u>n/a</u>	Blank or void votes			
258	Total number of votes cast			

Meeting Adjourned by Chairman Kenneth Erickson at 9:26 p.m.

District Clerk