
Present: Mrs. June Monaghan, President; Mrs. Lisa Tane, Vice President; Mrs. Nina Quigley, Mrs. Stacy Agona; Mrs. Janet Marinaccio

Also Present: Dr. Frances Wills, Superintendent; Mrs. Barbara Briganti, Asst. Superintendent for Business & Technology; Mrs. Juanita Brockett, District Clerk

A meeting of the Briarcliff Manor Board of Education was held on Monday, March 16, 2009 in the Middle School Theatre and was called to order by Mrs. Monaghan at 8: 04 p.m.

Presentations

Mr. Keith Austin presented a report on the Ad Hoc Facilities Committee and their recommendations.

Public Comments and questions were heard from the audience.

Resolutions

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the minutes of the regular Board of Education meeting held on March 9, 2009.

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the minutes of the special Board of Education meetings held on March 9 and 10, 2009.

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the following consent agenda items:

- a. Appointment of John Schrader as Asst. Varsity Baseball Coach for Spring/Summer 2009.
- b. Approve extended leave of absence requested by Lilly Lajqi effective March 1, 2009 through June 30, 2009.
- c. Appointment of the following Election Inspectors for the May 19, 2009 Budget Vote and Board Elections: Marcia Seredynski, Domenica Leggio, Rosella Ranno, Mildred Gonzalez, Joan Beicke, Regina Timmons, Rosemarie Hermann, Ellen Aprea, Donna Jacobson, Minah Shah

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the district's participation in the Southern Westchester BOCES bid process for the 2009-10 school year.

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 5-0

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Briarcliff Manor Union Free School District desires to embark upon the following Capital Construction Projects as listed below:

Briarcliff H.S./M.S. - Window replacement and exterior envelope repairs.
Construction of Pre-Engineered storage building

Todd Elementary School -Interior renovations to existing toilet facilities
Interior renovations to existing classrooms.

WHEREAS, said Capital Construction Projects at the Briarcliff Manor School District are subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or a facility, in kind, in the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4, and construction or expansion of a primary or accessory/appurtenant, non-residential structure or facility involving less than 4,000 square feet of gross floor area and not involving a change in zoning or a use variance and consistent with local land use controls, but not radio communication or microwave transmission, and routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5);
and

WHEREAS, the SEQRA Regulations declare Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the Environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Briarcliff Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the listed Capital Construction Projects and has determined that these Capital Construction Projects are classified as Type II Actions pursuant to Section 617.5(c) (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Briarcliff Board of Education hereby declares that the Capital Construction Projects as listed above are Type II Actions, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Briarcliff Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this resolution to the New York State Education department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of these Capital Construction Projects from the New York State Education Department.

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley, and passed 5-0

RESOLVED, that pursuant to General Municipal Law §6-d, as amended, this Board of Education of the Briarcliff Manor Union Free School District does hereby establish a Repair Reserve Fund to finance the repairs to capital improvements or equipment of a type that does not recur annually or at shorter intervals. The chief fiscal officer is hereby directed to deposit moneys of this reserve fund in a separate bank account to be known as the “Briarcliff Manor School District Reserve Repair Fund.” No expenditures shall be made from this fund, except upon authorization of this board pursuant to General Municipal Law §6-d. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

On motion by Mrs. Tane and seconded by Mrs. Quigley and passed 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education shall submit to the voters of the School District at the Annual District Meeting a proposition to construct renovations to the existing structure of the Briarcliff High School, including installation of thermally insulated double glazed windows and re-cladding of the building façade, at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$818,000,235 and to construct a pre-engineered storage building on the High School campus to replace six (6) leased storage containers, at a total estimated cost not to exceed \$312,147,000, for a total estimated cost not to exceed \$1,130,382, , said sum to be expended from the District’s Excel Aid Funds from the State of New York in the amount of \$283,411 and from the District’s fund balance for the 2008-2009 school year in the amount of \$846,971, without the necessity to raise taxes.

RESOLVED that the Board of Education shall submit to the voters of the School District at the Annual District Meeting a proposition to appropriate to the School District’s Repair Reserve Fund from the District’s fund balance for the 2008-2009 school year, the sum of \$268,650 to reconstruct and update two (2) Todd School classrooms and to reconstruct and update two (2) Todd School restrooms, without the necessity to raise taxes.

RESOLVED that the District Clerk is hereby directed to include in the Notice of Annual Meeting to be attached to and made a part of this resolution, propositions to approve the submission of a Capital Project to the voters in the amount of \$1,130,382 and to authorize appropriations from the District’s fund balance for the 2008-2009 school year the sum of \$268,650 to the School District’s Repair Reserve Fund.

On Motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the Board moved 5-0

RESOLVED that the Board of Education does hereby approve the Legal Notice for the Annual Meeting to be held May 19, 2009.

Informational Items

The Board received and reviewed the following Warrants for February 2009: Warrant # 9 Fund A; Warrant #8 Fund TA and Warrant #7 Fund H.

The board discussed athletic reconditioning fees. The administration will identify all activities that require fees to be collected.

The Board discussed the restoration of a 5th section of kindergarten. It was the consensus of the Board to authorize the Superintendent to amend her proposed 2009-10 budget presented on March 9, 2009.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the Board moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 11:12 p.m. and enter into executive session to discuss possible litigation.

Mrs. Agona and Mrs. Marinaccio did not stay for the executive session discussion.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the Board moved 3-0 to return to regular session at 12:05 a.m.

On motion by Mrs. Tane, seconded by Mrs. Quigley, the Board moved 3-0 to adjourn the meeting at 12:07 a.m.

June Monaghan, Board President

Juanita Brockett, District Clerk