

JEFFERSON LOCAL SCHOOLS
Special Meeting
June 3, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

West Jefferson, Ohio, the Jefferson Local Board of Education met in special session at 4:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mr. Harper, Mr. Doran, Mr. Quinn, Dr. Hiss, Mrs. Adams, Superintendent, Mr. Mullett, and Treasurer, Mrs. Smith.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Harper led the pledge.

DISCUSSION

1. Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) – Tax Abatement

Discussions were talked about regarding the details of the CRA. Mr. Connelly presented a School District Donation Agreement which will be brought forward for future properties.

APPROVE RESOLUTION TO WAIVE NOTICE PERIOD AND APPROVE CRA AGREEMENT/WJ PARK WEST BLDG. (#2019-98)

Moved by Mrs. Adams and seconded by Mr. Quinn that the Board pass the resolution waiving statutory notice periods and approving a Community Reinvestment Area Agreement between the Village of West Jefferson, Ohio and WJ Park West Building 1, LLC as presented.

The Vote: Yeas - Mr. Quinn, Dr. Hiss, Mrs. Adams, Mr. Doran, Mrs. Harper. Approved.

2. Update on Sale of School Property (Frey Avenue)

Mr. Mullett mentioned The Village of West Jefferson may vote on the sale of Frey at their June 3, 2019 meeting. We will receive \$195,000 for this sale. A spreadsheet was presented from the County Auditor showing all properties that have been developed. The school has a loss of over \$2.6 million per year. The TIF spreadsheet shows the school is not made whole with the TIF collection on the business. There is a potential deal with The Village of West Jefferson to forgo

their 35% infrastructure and they will share 50% with the school for five years starting with 2019.

3. Property Tax Levy Discussion

It is requested to get TIF estimates for the following properties: Amazon, Medline, Looby, Hillwood and Pizutti properties. It is also requested to put additional income tax to be shared with the Village of West Jefferson. This additional information is requested before any millage can be decided. Mrs. Smith stated we are deficit spending and the state will look at our next two years for negative cash balances. Mr. Mullett stated we made a commitment to the unions and asked them to roll the contracts over as we need time to reevaluate our financial status and go on the ballot for new monies.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mrs. Adams and seconded by Mr. Quinn that the Board adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m. The vote: Yeas - Mrs. Adams, Mr. Harper, Dr. Hiss, Mr.Doran, Mr. Quinn.

President

Treasurer