

BELFRY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 3

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

6 October, 2020 –7:00 P.M.

MINUTES

The Regular School Board Meeting of the Belfry School District was called to order at 7:00 PM by Board Chair Mary Lee Krenning.

Board members present were Linda Gasser and Duane Hergenrider. Jolene Nose and Willis Herden were absent. Superintendent Jason Olson and District Clerk Beth Pulse were present. Cheryl Brown, Tura Gruel, and Jerry Webb were present in the public section.

Approval of September 8th Regular and September 15th Special Board Meeting Minutes.

The Belfry Board of Trustees move to approve the minutes of the September 8th Regular and September 15th Special Board Meetings.

MOTION: Linda Gasser

SECOND: Duane Hergenrider

VOTE: 3-0

Approval of October Claims/Warrants

There was discussion about the walkie-talkies and why we needed them. There was also discussion about Mrs. McClane's projector. Jerry asked if the school had received a bill from MT Boilers, yet. Beth said, "no".

The Belfry Board of Trustees move to approve warrant 30345 through warrant 30375 for a total of \$20,204.26 for October, 2020.

MOTION: Duane Hergenrider

SECOND: Linda Gasser

VOTE: 3-0

Review Expenditure Actual to Budget Report

This was reviewed.

Correspondence

None.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

None.

Delegates to Address Board

None.

Administrative Report

Mr. Olson said that school is going well. The County nurse was in for flu shots. He's had to make some calls to parents who aren't used to our culture and small school accountability but behavior has been good and it should be a good year. Linda asked if Tura had experienced any problems in the kitchen. Tura said that it has been helpful having a couple of volunteers since the kids can't touch anything. Prep work takes extra time, as she is trying to avoid using individual single-use packets. The kids are adapting well, she said.

Custodial/Maintenance Report

Jerry said the coal storage bin is rotting from the inside out. He should be able to patch it with iron and have Kasey weld it for a short term (4 to 5 years) fix. There was discussion that the cost of replacing the silo with a new one could range between \$30,000.00 and \$50,000.00. There was discussion about the possibility of finding a used silo or replacing the furnace. It was suggested to get a quote from Sam Coulimore on replacing the furnace. Jerry asked if anyone had a use for the old flagpole. Duane suggested asking Kasey if she has a use for it.

OLD BUSINESS None.

NEW BUSINESS

Hire Junior High Girls Basketball Coach

Practice starts Monday and Tura Gruel is the only applicant. We will need to hire a HS coach/driver by the second week in November. There was discussion about whether or not the basketball season will take place because of Covid. There was discussion about how much coaching our staff is doing with Fromberg. There was discussion as to whether or not we are paying them as a coach or as a driver. Tura said if she did not want to be hired as a driver, she wants to be hired as an assistant coach.

The Belfry Board of Trustees move to approve hiring Tura Gruel as assistant JH Girls basketball coach for 2020-2021.

MOTION: Duane Hergenrider

SECOND: Linda Gasser

VOTE: 3-0

Security Camera Upgrades

Duane stated he is not opposed to cameras outside or in the elementary lobby, but he does not feel that we need them in any other interior hallways. Mary Lee said she feels like it is a safety issue and we need them to protect the kids. There was discussion about the number of cameras we would need if we didn't do the high school hall ways. Duane Hergenrider made a motion to purchase six cameras. There was no second so the motion died. There was more discussion about the placement of the cameras.

The Belfry Board of Trustees move to approve the purchase of ten new security cameras.

MOTION: Linda Gasser voting "no".

SECOND: Mary Lee Krenning

VOTE: 2-1 with Duane Hergenrider

Replace Kitchen Windows

There was discussion about the age of the windows and why they want to replace the windows that weren't broken by the kids throwing rocks. There are some windows that won't open anymore. Jerry said they would be double paned windows.

The Belfry Board of Trustees move to approve having Northern Rockies Glass replace all seven kitchen windows.

MOTION: Duane Hergenrider

SECOND: Linda Gasser

VOTE: 3-0

The next regular meeting will be held on November 10, 2020 at 7:00 PM.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

MOTION: Linda Gasser

SECOND: Duane Hergenrider

VOTE: 3-0

Beth Pulse, District Clerk

Mary Lee Krenning, Board Chair