# April 13, 2009 Regular Meeting Board of Directors Clarinda Community School District

The Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District met in regular session on Monday, April 13, 2009, 7:00 p.m., at the Board Room located in the McKinley Building, 423 East Nodaway, Clarinda, IA 51632.

## Call to Order

President Watkins called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### Roll Call

The following board members were present: President Watkins, Vice President Turner, Fine, Fulk, and McComb.

# **Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fulk, to approve the agenda. The motion was approved on a 5-0 vote.

# Open Hearing on 2010 Fiscal Year Budget

President Watkins declared the start of the open hearing to approve the 2010 fiscal year budget at 7:00 p.m. With no verbal or written objections to, or statements in favor of the proposed 2010 fiscal year budget presented, President Watkins declared the hearing closed at 7:01 p.m.

## **Audience to Visitors**

President Watkins welcomed all visitors to the meeting. No visitors chose to address the board at this time.

# **Administrative Reports**

Superintendent Honnold reported:

- 1. The architect was in New Market last week and approved final payment to Watson Excavation for the Demolition Project. The payment is included in the New Market Trust bills for approval this evening.
- 2. We're still waiting on final confirmation on the federal stimulus funds that are to be provided to K-12 schools.

### **Consent Items**

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Turner, to approve the following consent items:

- A. Minutes of the March 9, 2009, March 10, 2009, March 11, 2009, and March 23, 2009 meetings.
- B. Bills in the amounts of:

\$212,215.28
\$23,836.69
\$150.00
\$27,359.24
\$627.50
\$53,862.00

C. March 31, 2009, Financial Statements, Activity Fund report, Hot Lunch report, and open enrollment application(s).

Board member McComb informed he had audited the bills and found them in order for payment. The motion to approve the consent items was approved on a 5-0 vote.

# **Old Business**

Board members had no old business to consider at this time.

# **New Business**

# **Approve 2010 Fiscal Year Budget**

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve the 2010 Fiscal Year Budget. The open hearing held at the start of the meeting was part of the budget process. The budget will be filed with the Page County Auditor and sent to the Iowa Department of Management on April 15, 2009. Summary of our levy rates per \$1,000 valuation for the 2010 budget year:

General Fund	\$11.05
Management Fund	\$.70
PPEL	\$.33
Debt Service	<u>\$2.13</u>
Total Levy	\$14.21

This is a decrease of approximately \$.53 from the current year. Following discussion, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the 2010 fiscal year budget.

## **Review Easement Request**

John and Kelly Morgenstern, property owners to the west of the District's FFA crop plot on West Garfield Street, are interested in accessing city utilities on their property and have the asked the Board to consider one of three proposals:

1) sell the FFA crop plot to the Morgensterns; 2) sell only the land needed to run utilities to their property; 3) grant a permanent easement to allow utilities across school property. The easement would be transferred to the City upon completion.

The school attorney has been contacted regarding the process required to work with the Morgensterns on their request. Board members discussed the advantages and disadvantages of the proposals and concluded the permanent easement would be in the best interest of the district. One provision to the proposal the Board did request was that the District would bear no expense in legal fees or in restoring the ground to its original condition following any digging. The Board directed Superintendent Honnold to communicate with the school attorney and with the Morgensterns to begin the process.

# Adopt Resolution to set the Open Hearing for Sale of the New Market School Property

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fulk, to adopt the following resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District (the "District") has received a proposal to sell a piece of property commonly known as the New Market School Building property, which is located at 600 N. Layfayette, New Market, Iowa, and is legally described as follows:

Lots One (1); Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), and (6) in Block Three (3) of First Addition to the Town of New Market, Taylor County, Iowa and Parcel "C" of Lot Eight (8) of Litter's Addition to the Town of New Market, Taylor County, Iowa as shown by the Survey recorded in Survey Record 3 at Page 391.

**WHEREAS**, specifically, the City of New Market has offered to purchase the Property for One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration as outlined in the City's proposal; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has fully considered the proposal from the City of New Market and has determined that it is in the best interests of the District to sell the Property to the City of New Market in accordance with the terms of the agreed upon proposal; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Iowa Code Section 297.22 it is necessary and appropriate to publish notice of and hold a public hearing on the proposed sale of the Property and to receive and consider objections and petitions on same.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District:

Section 1. That this Board accepts the proposal of the City of New Market and directs the Superintendent and Secretary to take additional actions necessary to consummate the sale, subject to final board approval following a public hearing on the City of New Market's proposal to purchase the Property.

Section 2. That this Board shall set a public hearing on the sale of the above-described Property to City of New Market for May 11, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. in the McKinley Central Office Board Room, Clarinda, Iowa.

Section 3. That the Secretary is authorized and directed to prepare, publish, and distribute the Notice of Hearing in the following form:

# NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED DISPOSITION OF REAL ESTATE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Clarinda Community School District will hold a public hearing on the 11th day of May, 2009, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. central time, in the McKinley Central Office Board Room, 423 E Nodaway, Clarinda, Iowa on the disposition of real estate pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 279.8 and 297.22. The real estate is described as follows:

NEW MARKET SCHOOL BUILDING PROPERTY 600 N LAYFAYETTE NEW MARKET, TAYLOR COUNTY, IOWA

Legally described as follows:

Lots One (1); Two (2), Three (3), Four (4), Five (5), and (6) in Block Three (3) of First Addition to the Town of New Market, Taylor County, Iowa and Parcel "C" of Lot Eight (8) of Litter's Addition to the Town of New Market, Taylor County, Iowa as shown by the Survey recorded in Survey Record 3 at Page 391.

At the time and place set for the public hearing, interested individuals will be given the opportunity to express their views, both orally and in writing, on the following proposal to dispose of the above property:

Proposal by the District to sell to the City of New Market, the New Market School Building Property at 600 N. Layfayette, New Market, Iowa for \$1.00 and other Good and Valuable Consideration. The proposal is subject to other terms and conditions as stated in the City's proposal received by the Board on or before April 13, 2009.

A copy of the proposal to be considered by the Board at the public hearing may be reviewed at the office of Secretary of the Board of the Clarinda Community School District, 423 E Nodaway, Clarinda, Iowa.

After the public hearing, the Board may make a final determination to accept or reject the City's proposal as submitted, or upon condition that certain terms be changed, or the Board may defer action on the proposal until a subsequent meeting.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS, CLARINDA COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

By Cindy L. VanFosson, Secretary of the Board of Directors

The motion to adopt the resolution was approved by a 5-0 vote of the Board.

## Approve High School Sidewalk Repair Bid

A motion was made by Fine, seconded by McComb, to approve the bid of \$10,720 from Concrete Expressions to replace the front sidewalk area at the high school and repair the curbing around the north light pole. Two bids were received: Stickler's submitted a bid of \$10,764, and Concrete Expressions submitted their bid of \$10,720. It is believed a couple things have caused the significant deterioration of the existing sidewalk: 1) numerous joints cut in the sidewalk, and 2) failure to fill the joints with an expansion substance. One other recommendation is finding a solution for keeping vehicles from driving or backing up to the front doors. The sidewalk is not made for vehicle use. If at all possible, this project will be completed between the last day of school and the start of the Glenn Miller Festival in June. Following discussion, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the motion.

## Approve New Market 2008 Fiscal Year Audit

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fulk, to approve the New Market School 2008 fiscal year audit report. The audit was prepared by Bruce Frink CPA of Clarion, Iowa. Mr. Frink was in the Clarinda District in September of 2008 and worked with Shirley Maxwell, who was the Business Manager for New Market at the time of the dissolution. The Clarinda School District was named fiscal agent for all New Market financial matters following dissolution, therefore reviewing and approving the audit is a responsibility of our Board of Directors. A copy of the audit report is available for public view in the McKinley Administrative Offices during normal business hours. The Board voted 5-0 to approve the New Market School 2008 fiscal year audit report.

## **Approve Special Education Contracts**

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by Fine, to approve the contracts with Ames, Atlantic, Council Bluffs, Des Moines Independent, Sioux City, and Waterloo Community School Districts for special education students being served at the Clarinda Academy. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

# **Approve Athletic Sharing Agreement**

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to approve the athletic sharing agreement with Villisca Community Schools to participate in the Clarinda Wrestling program for the 2009-2010 school year. The motion passed on 5-0 vote of the Board.

# Adopt Resolution Authorizing the Redemption of School Refunding Bonds

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Turner, to adopt the following:

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE REDEMPTION OF SCHOOL

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WHEREAS, the Clarinda Community School District issued \$3,150,000 General Obligation School Refunding Bonds Dated April 1, 2005 (the "2005 Bonds"), of which \$1,585,000 are outstanding and of which \$750,000 are being called for redemption on June 1, 2009, which are described in Schedule A attached to this Resolution (the "Redeemed Bonds"); and

WHEREAS, the 2005 Bonds which mature on any June 1 after June 1, 2006 may be called in whole or in part on those dates, from School Infrastructure Tax revenues, in inverse order of maturity and with annual maturity lot by giving 30 days' notice of redemption to the registered owner of the Bonds, the terms of redemption to be par plus accrued interest to the date of call, such notice to be given by ordinary mail to the owner of record of the Bond at the address shown on the books of the Registrar; and

WHEREAS, the School District has accumulated School Infrastructure Tax revenues, and it is in the best interest of the School District to call and redeem the June 1, 2012 and June 1, 2013 maturities of the 2005 Bonds on June 1, 2009.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved:

Section 1. The Treasurer and Paying Agent are authorized and directed to give notice of redemption in substantially the form set forth in Schedule B attached to this Resolution. The Treasurer shall deposit with the Paying Agent, Bankers Trust Company, N.A., \$750,000 to call and redeem the Bonds described in Schedule A attached to this Resolution on June 1, 2009, such call and redemption to be effective June 1, 2009, pursuant to the terms of the 2005 Bonds and the notice to be given to bond holders in the form attached hereto attached as Schedule B. All liability for interest on the Redeemed Bonds shall cease, terminate, and be completely discharged as of June 1, 2009, as provided in Section 7(f) of the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of the 2005 Bonds.

<u>Section 2.</u> The Paying Agent is authorized and directed to give notice to registered bondholders and to notify the Bond Insuror, Financial Guaranty Insurance Company and service bureaus of the bond redemption The resolution was adopted by a 5-0 vote of the Board of Directors.

# **Approve Coaching Resignations**

A motion was made by Fulk, seconded by McComb, to approve the resignation from Mike Smith as assistant boys basketball coach pending a suitable replacement can be found. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Turner, seconded by McComb, to approve the resignation from Dave Carper as head football coach pending a suitable replacement can be found. Motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

## **Board Correspondence**

Turner: Attended the spring production, "Almost, Maine." The students involved did a super job.

### Adjournment

A motion was made by McComb, seconded by Fulk, to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. The motion passed on a 5-0 vote.

Cindy L. VanFosson Board Secretary