JOHNSTOWN-MONROE LOCAL SCHOOLS

January 8, 2018 **Regular Session**

The Johnstown-Monroe Local Board of Education met in Regular Session on Monday, January 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center. Roll call was answered by Mr. Benton, Mr. Beverick, Mrs. Booher, Mr. Dodderer, and Mr. Swauger.

SILENT PRAYER
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Swauger thanked Mrs. Booher for her service as Board President, and her guidance on teaching him the school business.

STUDENT/PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT OF THE MONTH:
Don Schulze, parent of an advanced student, discusses how his daughter has used the online JOLT program to accelerate her progress.

TREASURER'S REPORT
Mr. Niblick explained that items f and g are the resolutions to proceed for the Emergency Levy and Income Tax Levy renewals. These have the actual rates, certified by the County Auditor and ODT. After these are approved, they will be certified to both agencies, as well as the Board of Elections for placement on the May ballot.

TREASURER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

18-017 Moved by Mr. Dodderer, seconded by Mrs. Booher to approve the Treasurer's Recommendations as presented:

a. To approve the minutes of the December 11, 2017 Regular Board Meeting.

b. To approve the December, 2017 Treasurer Report.

c. To approve Amended Appropriations and Amended Certificate of Estimated Resources for FY 2018 as follows:

AMENDED RESOURCES:

General Fund	$32,138,052.26
Special Revenue	$1,478,296.56
Debt Service	$3,743,960.14
Capital Projects	$12,371,588.59
Enterprise	$915,936.16
Agency Funds	$153,612.37
Private Purpose	$125,184.94
Total	$50,926,631.02

AMENDED APPROPRIATIONS:

General Fund	$18,003,043.28
Special Revenue	$986,033.25
Debt Service	$1,887,600.00
Capital Projects	$11,687,431.18
Enterprise	$586,997.82
Agency Funds	$129,782.93
Private Purpose	$84,018.69
Total	$33,364,907.15

d. To approve the following donations:

Donor	Description	Value	Recipient
Johnstown Choir Boosters	Digital Piano w/bag, stand, and Bench	$734.99	Johnstown High School Choir Program
Johnstown Choir Boosters	6- 4 step Risers	$9,906.00	Johnstown High School Choir Program
Lynn & J. Ronald Genevie	Robert & Marjorie Bishop Scholarship	$5,000.00	Johnstown High School

e. To approve increasing the temporary scanning budget by $10,000 for Fiscal Year 2018.

Discussion after the motion: Mr. Dodderer thanked all donors.

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Aye: Mr. Dodderer, Mrs. Booher, Mr. Benton, Mr. Beverick, and Mr. Swauger
Motion carried.

18-018 Moved by Mrs. Booher, seconded by Mr. Beverick to approve the Treasurer's Recommendation as presented:

f. To approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DECLARING INTENT TO PROCEED
WITH ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF
RENEWAL OF AN EMERGENCY TAX LEVY

(R.C. Sections 5705.194 – 5705.197)
Renewal Emergency Levy

WHEREAS, on December 11, 2017, the Board passed a resolution (the "Resolution of Necessity") declaring the necessity, in order to provide for the emergency requirements of the School District, to renew all of the existing emergency tax levy to raise $2,200,000 for each year that said levy is in effect, for a period of five years, and upon the entire territory of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the County Auditor of Licking County, Ohio has certified to the Board that an estimated annual levy of six point nine (6.90) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which is sixty nine cents ($0.69) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, will be required to produce the annual amount set forth in the Resolution of Necessity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking and Delaware Counties, Ohio, a majority of the members thereof concurring, that:

Section 1. The Board desires to proceed with the submission of the question of such renewal emergency tax levy (the "Emergency Levy") to the electors of the School District.

Section 2. The question of the Emergency Levy shall be submitted to the electors in the entire territory of the School District at the election to be held on May 8, 2018 (the "Election Date"). All of the territory of the School District is in Licking and Delaware Counties, Ohio.

Section 3. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be substantially as follows:

> Shall a levy renewing an existing levy be imposed by the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking and Delaware Counties, Ohio for the purpose of **providing for the emergency requirements of the school district,** in the sum of $2,200,000, and a levy of taxes to be made outside of the ten-mill limitation estimated by the county auditor to average six point nine (6.90) mills for each one dollar of valuation, which amounts to sixty nine cents ($0.69) for each one hundred dollars of valuation, for a period of five (5) years, commencing in 2019, first due in calendar year 2020?

	FOR THE TAX LEVY
	AGAINST THE TAX LEVY

Section 4. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify, not later than February 7, 2018 (which date is not less than 90 days prior to the Election Date), to the Board of Elections and County Auditor of Licking County, Ohio a copy of the Resolution of Necessity and a copy of this resolution together with the amount of the average tax levy expressed in dollars and cents for each one hundred dollars of valuation, as well as in mills for each one dollar of valuation, as estimated by the Licking County Auditor.

Section 5. The Treasurer of the Board is hereby directed and shall certify to the Board of Elections and County Auditor of Licking County, Ohio that the Emergency Levy is to run for a period of five (5) years, and that the Emergency Levy will include a levy on the 2019 tax list and duplicate (2020 collection year) if approved by a majority of the electors voting thereon.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board, and that all

deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Aye: Mrs. Booher, Mr. Beverick, Mr. Benton, Mr. Dodderer, and Mrs. Swauger
Motion carried.

18-019 Moved by Mrs. Booher, seconded by Mr. Swauger to approve the following Treasurer's Recommendation as presented:

g. To approve the following resolution:

RESOLUTION DETERMINING TO PROCEED WITH THE
PROPOSITION OF A RENEWAL INCOME TAX
(R.C. Sections 5748.02 and 5748.03)

WHEREAS, the Board at its meeting on December 11, 2017 determined that it is necessary to raise annually additional revenues of at least $2,900,000 for the purpose of providing for current operating expenses of the School District; and

WHEREAS, the Tax Commissioner of the State of Ohio has estimated and certified the property tax rate and the income tax rate required in order to produce such additional revenues; and

WHEREAS, the income tax rate, rounded to the nearest one-fourth of one percent as required by law, is 1.00% per annum; and

WHEREAS, such rate is not higher than the income tax approved by the voters of the School District on November 6, 2012 for five years (the "Existing Income Tax");

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking and Delaware Counties, Ohio, a majority of the members of the Board concurring, that:

Section 1. It is hereby determined to be necessary to proceed with the proposition of levying a renewal of the Existing Income Tax on the school district income of individuals residing in the School District. Such renewal income tax shall be at the rate of 1.00% per annum, shall be for the purpose of providing for current operating expenses of the School District, shall take effect and begin to be levied on January 1, 2019, and shall be levied for five years (the "Income Tax").

Section 2. The income that shall be subject to the Income Tax is the taxable income of individuals and estates as defined in Revised Code Sections 5748.01(E)(1)(a) and 2.

Section 3. The question of levying the Income Tax shall be submitted to the electors of the School District at the election to be held at the usual voting places within the School District on May 8, 2018.

Section 4. The form of the ballot to be used at said election shall be as follows:

> Shall an annual income tax of one percent (1.00%) on the school district income of individuals and of estates be imposed by the Johnstown-Monroe Local School District, Licking and Delaware Counties, Ohio, to renew an income tax expiring at the end of 2018, for five (5) years, beginning January 1, 2019, for the purpose of **paying current operating expenses of the school district**?

	FOR THE TAX
	AGAINST THE TAX

Section 5. The Treasurer of the School District is hereby directed to certify a copy of this resolution to the Board of Elections of Licking County, Ohio, not later than February 7, 2018.

Section 6. It is hereby found and determined that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to the passage of this Resolution were adopted in an open meeting of this Board, and that all deliberations of this Board and of any of its committees that resulted in such formal action were in meetings open to the public in compliance with all legal requirements, including Ohio Revised Code Section 121.22.

Aye: Mrs. Booher, Mr. Swauger, Mr. Benton, Mr. Beverick, and Mr. Dodderer
Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Dickson explained that staff are working hard to have the new high school ready for the dedication ceremony, January 13, 2018, and for the opening on January 16. The dedication starts at 10:00 a.m. and should last around 30 minutes. There is a shuttle bus and some light refreshments. Attendees will have a chance to tour the building after. Punch-list work will continue for some time to ensure everything is correct.

Mr. Dickson indicated that Phase 3 scope needs to be ramped up to stay on schedule for the renovations to the old high school to be ready for the middle school to move in August. He passed out concept designs for the parking lot changes/renovations. The temporary gravel lot will be covered and sealed due to Village code. We hope to be to GMP by March of 2018 to ensure construction can commence in the spring. Mrs. Booher reminded the Board to get a dollar amount in mind for these renovations so we know what we can/cannot do during design phase.

Mr. Dickson indicated that we are still in the investigation/settlement phase for the stadium fire. He will apprise the Board when a settlement is received. We are currently getting replacement costs from Robertson Construction. All of this, plus contents, will be submitted to OSP for the claim.

Mr. Dickson sent out discipline reports to the Board ahead of the meeting. He spoke briefly on enrollment expansion and discipline rates. He thinks the restrictions on open enrollment should remain unchanged.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS

18-020 Moved by Mr. Dodderer, seconded by Mr. Beverick to approve the following Superintendent Recommendations as presented:

a. To approve the creation of an after school Adams Middle School 8th grade girls program, "Words Have Power" Club, with Mrs. Alisa Zink, Middle School Social Studies teacher as Advisor, as presented (Agenda Appendix A).

Aye: Mr. Dodderer, Mr. Beverick, Mr. Benton, Mrs. Booher, and Mr. Swauger
Motion carried.

SUPERINTENDENT'S PERSONNEL RECOMMENDATIONS

18-021 Moved by Mrs. Booher, seconded by Mr. Dodderer to approve the following Superintendent Recommendations as presented:

a. To accept the resignation of Heather Gregory, Middle School Library Paraprofessional, effective December 31, 2017.

b. To accept the resignation of Paul Garland, Varsity Girls Soccer Coach, effective December 20, 2017.

c. To approve the following Volunteer position for the 2017-2018 school year, pending approval of BCI and/or FBI clearance as required, contingent upon obtaining/holding required certification and completion of all other required documentation. Should requirements not be met, this offer of employment will be considered null and void.

Blaire Warner	H.S. Choreographer for Musical	Volunteer	1 year

d. To approve Nicole Giles, Elementary Teacher, unpaid FMLA days, approximately 8 days until her return the week of March 19, 2018.

Discussion after the motion: Mr. Dodderer wished good luck to those resigning and thanked Ms. Warner for volunteering.

Aye: Mrs. Booher, Mr. Dodderer, Mr. Benton, Mr. Beverick, and Mr. Swauger
Motion carried.

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ADDITIONAL BOARD BUSINESS/REPORTS

Old Business – Mr. Beverick indicated that it has been discovered that a gas line runs diagonal under the desired site of the pole building. Mrs. Booher asked if we could move it or build around it with multiple smaller buildings. The Board will need to start re-assessing how they want this storage to look. Mrs. Booher also asked to look at relocating the maintenance building behind the board office to somewhere else on the campus. The Oversight Committee will look into this.

New Business – Mr. Benton thanked everyone in the District for their work over this past couple of years in making the construction projects a success.

ADJOURNMENT

18-022 Moved by Mr. Dodderer, seconded by Mr. Beverick to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Aye: Mr. Dodderer, Mr. Beverick, Mr. Benton, Mrs. Booher, and Mr. Swauger
Motion carried.

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Treasurer President