

**JOHNSON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 0050  
JOHNSON COUNTY CENTRAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
SPECIAL MEETING  
September 28, 2023  
4:30 p.m. High School Rm. 201**

Members Present: Arlin Beethe, Justin Beethe, Bob Hutt, Gail Hutt, Kim Wellensiek

Absent: Rebecca Plager (excused)

Also Present: Jon H. Rother, Superintendent; Laurie Badertscher Recording Secretary; Rich Bacon, PreK 4-8 Principal; Rick Lester, 9-12 Principal; Garrett Collin, Activity Director

Visitors Present- 7

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The Johnson County School District No. 0050 Board of Education met in a special session at 4:30 p.m. Thursday September 28, 2023, in the high school room 201, Tecumseh, NE. A current copy of the agenda was available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting. The notice of the meeting and agenda was posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. Notice of the meeting was also published in the Tecumseh Chieftain.

President, Kim Wellensiek called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and opened the meeting by announcing that the Open Meetings Act rules were posted. Roll call was taken. Arlin Beethe-present, Justin Beethe-present, Bob Hutt-present, Gail Hutt-present, Plager-absent, Wellensiek-present.

#### **FUTURE BUILDING PROJECT**

Superintendent Rother led a discussion regarding a future building project and what the building project options look like. Tim Ripp and Hana Schafers were present representing Clark & Enersen. Several designs were presented including one and two-story designs PreK- 6, PreK-8, 7-12, and PreK-12. Emily Bannick was present to provide an opinion of cost from the Construction Manager at Risk Company, Boyd Jones.

Paul Greiger, DA Davision Bond Underwriter, was present via Zoom. Paul will work with Superintendent Rother as well as the Johnson County Assessor to look at the tax impact of a bond with the current tax and interest climate. The Board of Education will continue to look at all options available. Mr. Rother will work on a questionnaire for the public.

#### **HVAC BIDS**

Superintendent Rother consulted with the Board of Education regarding bids to replace the HVAC system in Johnson County Central's High School. The Board of Education requested that we move forward with advertising for the project.

#### **PERSONNEL**

Superintendent Rother led a discussion regarding the possibility of adding FFA to the Middle School. The Board of Education suggested that Mr. Rother move forward with this

addition in personnel. Rother reminded the Board of Education that we cut back on staffing hopeful that we would soon be at one site.

## PROPERTY TAX RESOLUTION

Superintendent Rother informed those present of the need for a correction to the property tax resolution due to a valuation error on the previously adopted budget.

### RESOLUTION NO. 9-13-23

WHEREAS, Nebraska Revised Statute 77-1632 and 77-1633 provides that the Governing Body of Johnson County Central passes by a majority vote a resolution or ordinance setting the tax request; and

WHEREAS, a special public hearing was held as required by law to hear and consider comments concerning the property tax request;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Governing Body of Johnson County Central resolves that:

1. The 2023-2024 property tax request be set at:

General Fund: \$6,803,077.00

Bond Fund: \$ -

Special Building Fund: \$1,103,030.00

Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund: \$242,663.00

2. The total assessed value of the property differs from last year's total assessed value by 6.58 percent.

3. The tax rate which would levy the same amount of property taxes as last year, when multiplied by the new total assessed value of property would be 0.985186 per \$100 of assessed value.

4. Johnson County Central proposes to adopt a property tax request that will cause its tax rate to be 1.006056 per \$100 of assessed value.

5. Based on the proposed property tax request and changes in other revenue, the total operating budget of Johnson County Central will increase last year's budget by 7.91 percent.

6. A copy of this resolution be certified and forwarded to the County Clerk on or before October 15, 2023

Motion by Arlin Beethe, seconded by Bob Hutt to adopt Resolution #9-13-23 (corrected)

Voting yes were:

Voting no were:

*Arlin Beethe  
Justin Beethe  
Bob Hutt  
Gail Hutt  
Kim Wellensiek*

Dated this 28<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023

President Wellensiek declared the meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held in the High School cafeteria in Tecumseh, Nebraska at 6:00 p.m., Wednesday, October 11, 2023. The notice of meeting will

be published in the Tecumseh Chieftain. The agenda will be posted at the three main school buildings as well as the Tecumseh and Cook Post Offices. A current copy of the agenda will be available for inspection in the office of the Superintendent prior to the meeting.