

**HANCOCK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**HANCOCK, NEW YORK 13783**

**AGENDA FOR REGULAR BOARD MEETING**  
**Thursday, October 3, 2019**  
**Special Meeting 4:00 PM**

**I. CALL TO ORDER – 4:00 P.M.**

Meeting called to order at \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ presiding.

**Attendance**

<b>Board Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Christopher Geer, Sr.		
Gene Homer		
Todd Jacobs		
Rebecca Smith, Vice-President		
Terry Whitt, President		
Tammi Wadeson, District Clerk		

<b>Others</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Terrance Dougherty, Superintendent		
Lothar Holbert, Wayne Highlands Rep		
Julie Bergman, K-12 Administrator		
Jackie Beamer, Dir. Pupil/Personnel		

**II. PRESENTATIONS:**

A) Capital Project Presentation

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

***Please note that comments will be limited to five minutes per person***

- This is a meeting being held for the purpose of conducting the business of the Board of Education of the Hancock Central School District. If you wish to address the Board, please submit your request in writing to the Superintendent by Friday prior to the meeting at which you wish to speak.
- The Public Comments section is offered to allow members of the community, faculty, staff, or student body to address the Board with items of interest. The Board listens to comments and will consider ideas, but the Board does not typically respond immediately to questions or comments.
- Comments, positive or negative, regarding named individuals, school personnel, positions, or students cannot and will not be heard in Open Session of a Board

meeting. After the chain of Command has been followed, including a meeting with the Superintendent, the Board may consider meeting with an individual in Executive Session.

- When addressing the Board, please stand, state your name and topic of discussion. \*(ref. Policies #2342 and #2350)

**IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

There are no consent agenda items.

**V. REGULAR AGENDA**

**A) Approve Lead Agency**

It is recommended that the Hancock Central School District Board of Education, hereby declares the Hancock Central School District Board of Education as the lead agency for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and Regulations (SEQRA), associated with the capital project Middle High School SED# 12-09-06-04-0-001-014, Elementary School SED# 12-09-06-04-0-004-011, Bus Garage SED# 12-09-06-04-5-003-003 and Public Library SED# 12-09-06-04-6-002-003.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No

**B) Approve Type II Action**

It is recommended that the Hancock Central School District Board of Education acting as lead agency for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and Regulations and upon the recommendation of the School District's architect and consultant hereby determines that the project Middle High School SED# 12-09-06-04-0-001-014, Elementary School SED# 12-09-06-04-0-004-011 and Public Library SED# 12-09-06-04-6-002-003 is a Type II action which will not have a significant impact on the environment and is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No

C) **Approve Unlisted Action**

It is recommended that the Hancock Central School District Board of Education acting as lead agency for purposes of the State Environmental Quality Review Act and Regulations and upon the recommendation of the School District's architect and consultant hereby makes a negative declaration that the implementation of the Bus Garage SED# 12-09-06-04-5-003-003, as proposed will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts. The project is an unlisted action is not subject to further review under the State Environmental Quality Review Act.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain Motion Carried Yes No

D) **Capital Project Proposition**

**WHEREAS**, the Hancock Central School District (the "District"), is a local agency pursuant to the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), ECL Section 8-0101, *et seq.*, and implementing regulations, 6 NYCRR Part 617 (the "Regulations"), and

**WHEREAS**, the District is considering undertaking a capital improvement project consisting of certain renovations, additions, alterations and improvements to the District's Middle High School building and campus, Elementary building and campus, Public library and campus, bus garage and campus, all to include site, access, parking and playfield improvements, demolition, hazardous materials abatement, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements, the acquisition of original furnishings, fixtures and equipment and payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work (together, the "Project"); and

**WHEREAS**, by resolution adopted immediately prior to this resolution, the District determined that work to be undertaken at the District's Middle High School building and campus, Elementary building and campus and Public library and campus, constitutes a Type II Action pursuant to Part 617.5(c)(10) of the Regulations and as such is not subject to review under SEQRA; and

**WHEREAS**, by resolution adopted immediately prior to this resolution, the District determined that work to be undertaken at the District's bus garage constitutes an Unlisted Action, declared itself lead agency to undertake an uncoordinated review, and prepared and reviewed a short Environmental Assessment Form and issued a Negative Declaration with respect to such work in accordance with the Regulations.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by this Board of Education as follows:

**Section 1.** A Special Meeting of the qualified voters of the Hancock Central School District, County of Delaware, State of New York, will be held on December 5, 2019 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of voting on the proposition described in the Notice of Special District Meeting hereinafter set forth, at the Middle/High School Building located at 67 Education Lane, Hancock, New York.

**Section 2.** The business to be acted upon at said Special District Meeting shall be as stated in the Notice thereof, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notice of said Special District Meeting to be published in the *Hancock Herald*, a newspaper having a general circulation within the District, such publications to be made four (4) times in such newspaper within the seven (7) weeks next preceding such Special District Meeting, the first publication to be at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date of said Special District Meeting.

**Section 3.** Said Special District Meeting shall be called by giving substantially the following notice thereof:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING  
OF THE VOTERS OF THE  
HANCOCK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE HANCOCK CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that pursuant to a Resolution adopted by the Board of Education of the District on the October 3, 2019, a special meeting of the qualified voters of said School District will be held on December 5, 2019 by paper ballot from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, for the purpose of voting on the proposition described below, by paper ballot, at the Middle/High School Building located at 67 Education Lane, Hancock, New York.

**PROPOSITION**

Shall the Board of Education of the Hancock Central School District be authorized to undertake a capital improvement project (the "Project") consisting of certain renovations, additions, alterations and improvements to the District's Middle High School building and campus, Elementary building and campus, Public library and campus, bus garage and campus, all to include site, access, parking and playfield improvements, demolition, hazardous materials abatement, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements, the acquisition of original furnishings, fixtures and equipment and payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work, and expend therefore a total sum not to exceed \$8,000,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and to pay for the Project by using (i) any available funds, including State building aid, (ii) \$611,000 from the Reserve Fund approved by the District's voters in May of 2015, \$500,000 from the Reserve Fund approved by the District's voters in May of 2017, \$628,000 from the Reserve Fund approved by the District's voters in May of 2018, and (iii) to the extent necessary, the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the School District to be collected in annual installments in the years and in the amounts as the Board of Education shall determine and in anticipation of such tax shall the School District be authorized to issue up to \$6,261,000 of obligations of the School District and levy a tax to pay the principal and interest on said obligations when due?

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that qualified voters of the District may obtain applications for an absentee ballot from the office of the Clerk of the District. Completed

applications must be received by the Clerk of the District no later than 5:00 p.m. on December 4, 2019, and must be received no later than 4:00 p.m. on November 27, 2019 if the absentee ballot is to be mailed to the voter. Completed applications received after 4:00 p.m. on November 27, 2019 will require the voter to personally appear at the office of the Clerk of the District to receive an absentee ballot. A listing of all persons to whom an absentee ballot is issued will be available for inspection by any qualified voter in the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. through December 4, 2019, except on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays.

The District determined that work to be undertaken at the District's Middle High School building and campus and Elementary building and campus constitutes a Type II Action pursuant the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA") and further determined that work to be undertaken at the District's bus garage constitutes an Unlisted Action and issued a Negative Declaration with respect to such work in accordance with SEQRA.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the proposition set forth on the voting machine label shall appear as follows:

#### **PROPOSITION**

Shall the Board of Education of the Hancock Central School District be authorized to undertake a capital improvement project (the "Project") consisting of certain renovations, additions, alterations and improvements to the District's Middle High School building and campus, Elementary building and campus, Public library and campus, bus garage and campus, all to include site, access, parking and playfield improvements, demolition, hazardous materials abatement, utility, mechanical, plumbing and electrical improvements, the acquisition of original furnishings, fixtures and equipment and payment of professional fees and all other necessary costs incidental to such work, and expend therefore a total sum not to exceed \$8,000,000, which is estimated to be the total maximum cost thereof, and to pay for the Project by using (i) any available funds, including State building aid, (ii) \$1,739,000 from the Reserve Funds approved by the District's voters in May of 2015, 2017 and 2018, and (iii) to the extent necessary, the levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the School District to be collected in annual installments in the years and in the amounts as the Board of Education shall determine and in anticipation of such tax shall the School District be authorized to issue up to \$6,261,000 of obligations of the School District and levy a tax to pay the principal and interest on said obligations when due?

**Section 4.** The vote upon the proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters shall be by paper ballot and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to have the

necessary paper ballots printed in form corresponding as nearly as may be with the requirements of the Education Law.

**Section 5.** The law firm of Trespasz & Marquardt LLP is appointed bond counsel to the District.

**Section 6.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No

**VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

For the Board to enter into Executive Session at \_\_\_\_\_.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No

For the Board to move out of Executive Session at \_\_\_\_\_ and regular meeting resumed.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Consideration of a motion to adjourn the meeting at \_\_\_\_\_.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ Abstain      Motion Carried    Yes    No