

The Brimfield Board of Education held its Regular meeting on Wednesday, May 10, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the High School Library. Board President Updyke called the meeting to order with the following members present: Butterfield, Kappes, Blodgett, Monk, and Snyder.

The Board welcomed approximately 14 visitors.

Updyke welcomed comments from the community members; there were none.

Snyder motioned and Kappes seconded to approve the minutes from:

- April 25, 2023 Special Meeting & Executive/Closed Session
- April 26, 2023 Regular Meeting & Executive/Closed Session

Motion carried

Board President Updyke reported. He congratulated the graduates. He is looking forward to graduation and the summer activities.

Superintendent Shinall reported on his board report. The Board was briefed on Graduation. The graduates were commended as were the District-wide staff. Lastly, the last day for students is May 24.

Mrs. Burdette Steele reported on her High School Report. Everyone involved with the musical was commended! The PTO was thanked for everything they provided for the staff last week for Teacher's Appreciation! Jamie Henson, Scott Zehr, Julie Edwards, Amy Kepple, and Susie Colorado were commended for their hard work during this busy time of year. Lastly, some upcoming events were shared.

Mrs. Albritton reported on her Grade School Report. Updates were provided on enrollment and curriculum. The PTO was thanked for organizing and showing its support for our Teachers last week! The Book Fair is taking place this week. We continue to look for Guest/Substitute Teachers. Lastly, some upcoming dates were shared.

There was new business to discuss/approve.

The Greater Peoria Economic Development Council was given the floor for its presentation. The members, consisting of Sally Hanley, Daniel Kelch, Jimmy Dillon, and Scott Sorril, took turns informing the Board of the importance of the Enterprise Zone. They urged the Board to approve a resolution that would result in Brimfield abating the Beck's [gas station] property tax revenue (100% for years 1-3; 50% for years 4-5; and 0% for years 6-10). Beck's would be able to cover the cost to redo some roadwork, near the enterprise zone, as the road is not able to support semi haulers. Beck's would also cover costs for initial water and sewer maintenance. Beck's yearly and monthly gross revenues were shared as well as its assessed value. The added revenue to the area could generate additional sales tax revenue and, eventually, about an additional \$50k in property tax revenue. Brimfield Schools would not lose out on tax revenue if the Shell station joins the enterprise zone and upgrades its property. This is not a TIF project and [Brimfield's involvement and Resolution] is needed to drive development. Superintendent Shinall inquired about sales tax revenue; when would we be seeing some revenue? As soon as it is open for business. Shinall: understand that the District would not see any additional property tax revenue from this until year 4, then the full additional amount in year 6? Correct. And it is based on the Equalized Assessed Valuation and assessment cannot be appealed until year 10. Updyke: property tax timeline begins when construction is completed? Yes.

At 7:22 pm, Bell joined. There was a brief discussion regarding the enterprise zone.

Snyder motioned and Blodgett seconded to table, until after Executive/Closed Session, the Resolution for District participation in the Peoria Rural Enterprise Zone. Roll Call: Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Monk motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the bread bid for the 2023-2024 School Year. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the door lock replacement bid from Bishop Brothers for \$29,664. Superintendent Shinall explained the necessity. This is the lowest bid. This was also a recommendation by the Building & Grounds Committee. Will check to see what type of lock this is. Roll Call: Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

There was a request by Superintendent Shinall to table the next Agenda item. Snyder then motioned and Monk seconded to table the door replacement for the BGS and Concession buildings from Kelly Glass for \$42,992. Shinall mentioned that there was something in the quotes that caught his attention and he would like to research. Roll Call: Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Kappes motioned and Blodgett seconded to Approve the Brimfield Grade School Graduates for the 2022-2023 School Year. Updyke, on behalf of the Board, commended the graduates. Motion carried

Blodgett motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the Brimfield High School Graduates for the 2022-2023 School Year. Updyke, on behalf of the Board, commended the graduates. Motion carried

There were personnel matters to address/approve.

Bell motioned and Butterfield seconded to Approve Brett Cahill - Bass Fishing Team Boat Captain. There was a brief discussion on Brett's role and necessity for Board approval. The Team Members were congratulated; Mrs. Steele hopes Derek and Kaden perform well and congratulates them as well. Roll Call: Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Butterfield motioned and Monk seconded to Approve the District Transportation staff for the 2023-2024 School Year. Superintendent Shinall mentioned that these are our full time drivers and they cover regular and special education routes. Roll Call: Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Snyder motioned and Kappes seconded to Approve Chad Jones - District Superintendent. Roll Call: Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

Snyder motioned and Kappes seconded to Approve the Consent Calendar items. Roll Call: Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 7:33 p.m., Kappes motioned and Monk seconded to enter closed/executive session to discuss *The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee, a specific individual who serves as an independent*

contractor in a park, recreational, or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity. However, a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this Act. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1). Updyke mentioned that there would be no action afterwards. Roll Call: Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 8:33 p.m., the Board returned from the closed/executive session.

Monk motioned and Snyder seconded to Approve the Resolution for District participation in the Peoria Rural Enterprise Zone. Superintendent Shinall read the details of the Resolution. Roll Call: Kappes - yes, Blodgett - yes, Snyder - yes, Monk - yes, Butterfield - yes, Bell - yes, Updyke - yes. Motion carried

At 8:36 p.m., Bell motioned and Snyder seconded to adjourn the May 10, 2023 Regular board meeting of the Brimfield CUSD #309 Board of Education. Motion carried


Board President


Board Secretary