

**GREATER JOHNSTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT**  
**Board of Education Special Meeting**  
**April 11, 2007**  
**Johnstown High School**

I. Called to order by President Praught at 6:01 p.m.

ATTENDEES:

Susanne Fitzgerald  
Joanne Freeman

Leslie Buggeln-Bosworth  
John David Praught

Scott Miller  
Robert Kosowicz

ABSENT:

Russell Martin

James Levin

Robert Curtis

OTHERS:

Katherine Sullivan

Peter Hopke

II. BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Budget Proposition

*Motion by Mrs. Buggeln-Bosworth seconded by Mr. Kosowicz to accept the proposed budget of expenditures of the Greater Johnstown School District for the school year 2007/08 in the amount of \$27,106,390, and for the purposes shown in the statement of estimated expenditure, adopted by the Board of Education, be and the same hereby is approved and the amount thereof shall be raised by a levy of a tax upon the taxable property of the school district, after first deducting the monies available from state aid and other sources as provided by law.*

VOTE:              6   YES                      0   NO

2. AWARD OF DISTRICT-WIDE III CAPITAL PROJCT CONTRACTS FOR HVAC, ELECTRICAL WORK AND ASBESTOS ABATEMENT

*(Board Member) Mr. Kosowicz presented the following resolution and moved its adoption, Seconded by (Board Member) Mr. Miller:*

*WHEREAS, the Greater Johnstown School District received, accepted and opened bids for general construction, plumbing, HVAC, asbestos abatement and electrical work for the additions and alterations to various buildings within the District on March 6, 2007 and March 29, 2007; and,*

*WHEREAS, the apparent lowest responsible bidders on four contracts (base bid plus Alternates GC-1, GC-2, GC-5, GC -8, and GC - 10 all hereinafter referred to as "Base Package") are Malone & Tate Builders for general construction, Durr Mechanical Construction, Inc. for HVAC, Justin Electric for electrical work, and Capital Environmental Services, Inc for asbestos abatement; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board wishes to award portions of the Base Package so that work may commence; and,*

*WHEREAS, the bids for Alternates GC-3, GC-4, and GC - 9 (hereinafter "SHS Auditorium Addition Package") would exceed the present voter approved referendum level; and,*

*WHEREAS, the Board of Education will present to the voters a referendum on May 15, 2007 to approve the necessary funds to award the Alternates for the SHS Auditorium*

*Addition Package which, if approved, will permit award of the SHS Auditorium Addition Package on or after May 15, 2007; and,*

*WHEREAS, the apparent low bidders, except for the apparent low bidder for the General Construction Contract, have all agreed to hold their bids for the SHS Auditorium Addition Package without change until the voters act on May 15, 2007; and,*

*WHEREAS, the architect has recommended the award of the contracts to the contractors identified below.*

**THEREFORE:**

*Be it resolved that the HVAC contract (Contract #2) for the additions and alterations to various buildings is awarded to Durr Mechanical Construction, Inc. with a base bid of \$1,295,000 with the additional award of alternate #HVAC-1, alternate #HVAC- 2, and alternate #HVAC-6 resulting in a net contract award to Durr Mechanical Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,518,000.*

*Be it further resolved that the electrical contract (Contract #3) for the additions and alterations to various buildings is awarded to Justin Electric with a base bid of \$176,000 with the additional award of alternate #E-1 and alternate #E-2 resulting in a net contract award to Justin Electrical in the amount of \$473,000.*

*Be it further resolved that the asbestos abatement contract (Contract #4) for the additions and alterations to various buildings is awarded to Capital Environmental Services, Inc. with a base bid of \$284,000 with resulting in a net contract award to Capital Environmental Services, Inc. in the amount of \$284,000.*

*Be it further resolved, that the Board shall meet on or immediately after May 15, 2007 to consider award of the remaining Base Package and the SHS Auditorium Addition Package depending on the results of the voter referendum on that date.*

*Be it further resolved that the school district administration, architect, and legal counsel are directed to draft and execute necessary documents to commence construction on the project.*

**VOTE:**              6   YES                      0   NO

**III. REPORTS (PRESIDENT/STANDING COMMITTEES)**

- Facilities Planning Committee - Chairperson Miller reported the committee met at 5:00 pm today with architects Dave Bonacci and Larry Czajkowski, clerk of the works Mike Croneiser and representatives of Capital Environmental Services, Inc. The committee also discussed the pros and cons of waiting until after the May 15 vote on the additional \$4 million bond resolution before awarding the general construction contract.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

*Motion by Mr. Kosowicz seconded by Mrs. Freeman to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.*

**VOTE:**              6   YES                      0   NO

Respectfully submitted,

Larraina Carpenter, District Clerk