NEW ROCKFORD-SHEYENNE PUBLIC SCHOOL **DISTRICT NO. 2 REGULAR SCHOOL BOARD MEETING**

MONDAY, MARCH 13TH, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M. Members present: Mike Ja-

cobson, Mike Schaefer, Eric Perleberg, Todd Allmaras, Patti Larson, Travis Benson. Others present: Dr. Jill Louters, Superintendent; Avolt Baumbach, Secondary Principal, Natalie Becker, Elementary Principal. Dave Skogen, Business Manager.

President Jacobson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Approval of the Agenda

was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Schaefer to approve the agenda with the addition of Item L - Community Foundation Transfer Request. Motion carried unanimously. Approval of the February 13th

Meeting Minutes
It was moved by Schaefer and seconded by Perleberg to approve the minutes of the February 13th meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Consent Agenda It was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Larson to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. The consent agenda consisted of the business manager report, and the bills - general fund of \$268,885.94, the activity fund of \$15,320.57, and the food service fund of \$14,217.55. Opportunity For Comments from

the Public on Agenda Items Joe Greiner, Erin Greiner. Annette Hovey, Rikka Gudmonson, Theresa Risovi, Lindsay Smith, Nick Hovey, Zach Smith, Jennifer Ruppel and Kerstin Allmaras all spoke to the board regarding the 2023-2024 budget item, focusing on the music portions of

the budget. Monthly Committee Reports were no committee There

meetings to report.

Principals' Reports Elementary Principal Becker presented her report to the Principal Beckboard. Star assessments for the end of the third quarter began on March 6th. A Pre-Kindergarten open house was held on March 7th with 24 students attending. Quarter three ends on the 14th with parent teacher conferences being held on the 16th. Classroom observations will be completed with formal evaluations due on April 15th. In closing Principal Becker noted that the district had been awarded an Artist in Residence grant, with Northern Plains Dance tak-

ing place April 24th-28th. Secondary Principal Baumbach presented a proposal to the board for a General Education Resource Room. This proposal would incorporate the existing PLA program, as well as resource time. A paraprofessional running the dedicated room would lead to more educational support for students and teachers. There would be no "qualification" for this resource time as students would sign up as they do now, and expectations would be consistent and clear. Baumbach believes that this program would provide much needed support for the students who fall through the cracks of special education and regular education.

Superintendent Report Superintendent Louters shared her report with the board. Budget planning, staffing changes and professional development needs have began in preparation of the '23-'24 school year. Interviews have been conducted for one position and will be forthcoming for other open positions with the district. Elementary and secondary principal evaluations are nearing completion. Second gym project fundraising planning efforts are in full swing. Meetings with Pace Fundraising have been and will continue to be held with a fundraising launch coming soon. Lastly, Dr. Louters thanked the board for the opportunity to attend and present at the American Association of School Administrators Conference in San Antonio. The focus was on rural resiliency of school districts.

Teacher Report Third Grade Teacher Jennifer Whitman presented to the board. Currently the third grade has 27 students and is split between 3 classes. Whitman noted to the board that these students are our "Covid Kids", as they missed the end of their Kindergarten year when school went remote. Also, in each of their first and second grade years they had teachers go on maternity leave, leaving this year as their first full true year. Whitman noted that the kids are flourishing in the split classes and their test scores are up. They are currently challenging the fifth grade to a reading challenge and are using lots of hands-on activities and projects including through their testing. Student Report

Members on the Elementary Leadership Team presented to the board. This team has twelve members who meet represented by each grade in the elementary. They discuss challenges students face, brainstorm on ideas to help engage kids, and help carry out lessons taught by Mrs. Skogen the Dean of Students. Earlier this year the team helped organize and run a fundraiser where funds and donated pajamas were presented to Project Ianite Liaht. Policy GDA - Graduation Re-

quirements - First Read It was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Benson to approve the Second read of Policy GDA, Graduation Requirements. Mo-

tion carried by majority vote.

Secondary Principal Baumbach

and Student Strategist Tyler

Cook presented to the board for the second time regarding the policy. Questions were fielded and answered pertaining to the new requirements of the job shadow and capstone project. With the approval of the second read, the revised Policy GDA will take effect starting in the 2023-2024 school year.

Policy GACG and GACG-E was moved by Schaefer and seconded by Allmaras to approve the second read of Policv GACG and GACG-E. Motion carried unanimously. Discussion was held regarding the proposed policy. This forward-thinking policy recognizes that instruction occurs outside the classroom through guidance from licensed teachers and the knowledge of community experts. This policy would build new relationships between school and work-based learning organizations. Summative Superintendent Eval-

It was moved by Benson and seconded by Allmaras to approve the Summative Superintendent Evaluation as presented. Motion carried majority vote. This the second evaluation of the school year. Each board member completed the evaluation, and

the cumulative evaluation was prepared and reviewed. Each section was read aloud with the score for read aloud for each individual section. All sections received satisfactory scores.

Christianson It was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Benson to approve the resignation of John Christianson. Motion carried unanimously. Christianson has taught fifth grade for the district. The Board thanked him for his years of service to the district.

<u> Personnel – Resignation – John</u>

Personnel - Resignation - Kendall Christianson

was moved by Schaefer and seconded by Perleberg to approve the resignation of Kendall Christianson. Motion carried unanimously. Christianson has taught Kindergarten and First grade for the district. The Board thanked her for her years of service to the district.

Personnel - Retirement - Kent Brown

It was moved by Schaefer and seconded by Allmaras to approve the retirement of Kent Brown. Motion carried unanimously. Brown is retiring after 23 years teaching in the District, and 33 years total in the profession. Brown has also served as the technology director for the district for the entirety of his time with NR-S. Numerous Board members expressed their thanks and appreciation for the time served and dedication to the District.

Personnel – Recommendation to Hire – Steven Stutlien – High School Math

It was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Benson to approve the hire of Steven Stutlien, Motion carried unanimously. Stutlien will teach high school math starting in the 2023-2024 school year. Contemplated Discharge of Matt

It was moved by Schaefer and seconded by Allmaras to approve the Contemplated Discharge of Matt Shaffer as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Open Enrollment

It was moved by Allmaras and seconded by Perleberg to approve the Open Enrollment application as presented. Motion carried unanimously. Application is for one student in kindergarten. Strategic Plan

No Motion on the table as item was discussion only. It was agreed to that a Board Retreat will be held on April 23rd at 1pm. The board retreat will feature discussion on the District's Strateaic Plan.

2023-2024 Budget No motion on the table as discussion was held as the preliminary budget for the 2023-2024 year was presented. Initial proiections of revenue and expense were presented. NDDPI recently produced a projected a foundation aid number for NR-S which as used in the projections. Initial expense projections moved all expenses ahead four percent and featured full staff with the addition of an elementary teacher due to class size needs. Initial projections show the district over budget. Discussion was held on potential options the district could look at to bring the budget

Community Foundation Transfer It was moved by Benson and seconded by Perleberg to request the transfer or withdrawal of \$35,039.87 from the New Rockford-Sheyenne School Non-Endowment Fund for the purpose of paying Pace Fundraising as per the contract previously signed. Motion carried unanimously. Motion allows for funds to be sent from the foundation set up for the Second Gym project, to the district, to pay for Pace Fundraising. These funds requested were specifically ear marked by project donors for this exact use.

<u>Announcements</u> Next Regular Meeting: Monday, April 10th, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. in the Cafeteria.

Adjournment The board meeting was adjourned at 9:44 pm.

Dave Skogen, Business Manager Mike Jacobson, President

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Becker, Natalie	14.50	
BSN Sports	861.00	
Butler Machinery	1,763.32	
Cash & Carry Lumber.	511.93	
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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NEW ROCKFORD CITY COMMISSION NEW ROCKFORD. NORTH DAKOTA **NEW ROCKFORD CITY HALL**

April 3, 2023

Todd Cameron/GRLLC....1,145.30

Published April 17, 2023

President Richter called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm at City Hall with Commissioner McKnight and Commissioner Commissioner Hewitt present, Belguist present via phone. Also, present Attorney Peterson and PWS Hirchert.

The Regular Commission meeting recessed at 7:00 p.m. to open the Tax Equalization Meeting. The 2023 Tax Equalization Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. City Assessor Kristy O'Connor presented the report.

The Tax Equalization Meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Regular Commission meeting reconvened at 7:14 p.m. Hewitt made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. McKnight seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Auditor added to New Business, that the Commission would need to approve the Tax Equalization Meeting as presented. The previous motion was rescinded. Hewitt made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition to approve the Tax Equalization Report as presented. McKnight seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve March 6, 2023, Meeting Minutes as presented. Hewitt seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

McKnight made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Belquist seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the March bills. Hewitt seconded. In a roll call vote. Richter. Hewitt, Belquist and McKnight. voting "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

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ger to discuss water plant opera-tions. Richter read a memo that was submitted by Senger detailing a more formal process to address water concerns. Richter explained that caustic soda was used in a higher concentration originally a 30% solution- which was changed to a 50% solution. The 50% solution freezes at 54 degrees, this caused blockage in the pipes. Senger was on site two times to assist the city staff with rectifying the issue. Interstate will help with additional training for water plant operators to ensure all questions and processes are

understood. PWS Hirchert reported: Sentry was at water plant and completed the warranty work that needed to be completed. Wiggins warranty work is also complete. Working on landfill schedule for summer. Hirchert did say that there are sandbags available if needed.

McKnight made a motion to approve the PWS report as presented. Richter second. All in favor. Motion carried.

Public Notice

Director Amanda Hegland reported that region 3 received 1 million grant dollars for daycare. Hegland received award letter for Brown roof in grant funding. The city will need to match \$18,000.00. McKnight made a motion to approve the city match not to exceed \$20,000.00, Belquist seconded the motion.

In a roll call vote, Richter, Hewitt, Belquist and McKnight, voting "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Hewitt made a motion to approve the 1% Lodging Tax. Richter seconded. In a roll call vote, Richter, Hewitt, Belquist and McKnight, voting "aye". No nay

votes. Motion carried. The first reading of the City Lodging Tax Imposed was read.

Review of Utility Bills - Attorney Peterson reported no ordinance changes are needed for enforcing a minimum for water bills as the current ordinance is sufficient.

New Business: Richter made a motion to approve the housing incentives for Lori Ricter at 220 10th St N and Timothy and Marissa Wishart at 215 Central Ave. Hewitt seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

McKnight made a motion to approve the local gaming permit for NRS Youth Archery Raffle. Hewitt seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the building permit for Ryan Hager Excavating, LLC for a new building for shop. McKnight seconded. All were in favor, Motion carried.

Tax Exemption for Daycare at Brown was discussed. Attorney Peterson advised that he spoke with Assessor O'Connor and no motion is needed at this time, as the Brown is city owned and not assessed property taxes.

Ty Larson was interested in purchasing a vacated street next to his property and Attorney Peterson advised that the property owner next to vacated street owns ½ of the parcel. No motion was necessary.

Penalty fees for late utility bills were discussed. Attorney Peterson read the first reading for both 18-02-15 and 18-04-07 stating the fee imposed for late utility bills on water and sewer would be increased from 1.5% per month to \$10.00 per month after the 20th of each month.

McKnight made a motion to approve the changes and the first reading. In a roll call vote it was Richter, Hewitt, Belguist and McKnight, voting "aye". No nay votes. Motion carried.

Richter made a motion to approve the 2023 Equalization Report presented by Kristy O'Connor. Hewitt seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried. With no further business, the

meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m. The next regular meeting will be May 1, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at

City Hall.
MEETING MINUTES ARE SUB-JECT TO APPROVAL AT NEXT COMMISSION MEETING

Stuart Richter, President Becki Schumacher, Auditor

Published April 17, 2023

SHEYENNE CITY COUNCIL **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING** April 3, 2023

Mayor Hanson called the reg-ular meeting to order with Thumb absent. Minutes of March 6, 2023 meeting were read and approved. Motion Labrensz, second Ames, motion carried.

B. Rieger, Facilities Operator- absent. Trailer court had sewer issues and City had to call New Rockford

and have the sewer jetted. Quit claim deed has been filed for lot the City bought from Community Development. Estimate was received for the Generator, motion Labrensz, second Hoffner, motion carried to accept estimate from Divide Electric. City will be meeting with Jim Olson with AES to help to complete paperwork that is required regarding lead waterlines in residences in Sheyenne. This is to be completed to be in compliance with Compliance 2024.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept Treasurer's Report Hoffner, second Ames, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.		
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May 1st at 7:00 pm.		
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Double M Sanitation	3,485.0	
Eddy County (Specials)	1,486.0	
Sheyenne Fire Dept	3,250.0	
Transcript		
IRS		
Eddy Co. Tax Equal	300.0	
Check blanks		
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SHEYENNE CITY COUNCIL TAX EQUALIZATION MEETING April 3, 2023

Equalization Director, Kristy O'Connor, reviewed 2023 Equalization Report. Increase of 1.07% for Sheyenne. Tax Exempt properties and Homestead Property Tax Credit and Homestead Credit were reviewed. No members were present.

Robert Hanson, Mayor Published April 17, 2023

MINUTES OF THE NEW ROCKFORD-SHEYENNE **PUBLIC SCHOOL** DISTRICT NO. 2 SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD **MEETING BY ZOOM** MARCH 29TH, 2023 AT 6:00 P.M.

Members present: Mike Ja-cobson, Mike Schaefer, Mary Kay Price, Todd Allmaras, Eric Perleberg, Patti Larson, Travis Benson, Jill Louters, Superintendent; Natalie Becker, Elementary Principal; Avolt Baumbach, Secondarv Principal; Dave Skogen, Business Manager.

President Mike Jacobson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

<u>Discussion Only – Music Staffing</u> Discussion was held regarding the 2023-2024 preliminary budget, with specific conversation regarding staffing of the music department. As the item description noted there was no motion on the table tonight as the purpose was to allow the board to speak openly on their opinion regarding potential cuts that may need to be made to balance the budget. With current staffing levels and the addition of another elementary teacher due to growing class sizes, very early projections of the budget show a shortfall of around \$118,000. Other areas mentioned to examine closer are transportation, high school social studies. pre school facility lease, raising of tax mills, or utilize fund balance of the district. Discussion was also held on ways to boost the low numbers of the music program as well.

Adjournment

The public meeting was adjourned at 7:13 p.m.

Dave Skogen, Business Manager Mike Jacobson. President

Published April 17, 2023

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

RELATING TO ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTION OF THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET, ORGANIZATION OF HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SERVICES INFORMATION REQUESTS PAY GRADE REVIEW AND EXCEPTION PROCESS WORKING AND INCLEMENT

WEATHER CONDITIONS, ANNUAL LEAVÉ AND APPEÁLS OF EMPLOYER ACTIONS

ND Human Resource

Management Services (HRMS) in cooperation with the

State Personnel Board will hold a public hearing to address proposed changes to the N.D Admin. Code Article 4-01 and 4-07

Red River Room ND State Capitol 600 E. Boulevard Ae. Bismarck, ND 58505 Thurs., May 18, 2023 9:00 a.m.

The proposed rules may be reviewed at the office of ND Human Resource Management Services, 600 East Boulevard Avenue, Dept. 113, Bismarck ND 58505-0120, or on the HRMS website https://www.omb.nd.gov/news/ public-hearing-proposed-amendments-nd-administrative-code. A copy of the proposed rules may be requested by writing the above address, e-mailing HRMS@nd.gov, or calling (701)328-3293. Also, written comments may be submitted to the above address until May 29, 2023. If you plan to attend the public hearing and will need special facilities or assistance relating to a disability please contact ND Human Resource Management Services at the above telephone number or email at least 7 days prior to the public hearing.

Dated this 5th day of April, 2023. /s/ Molly Herrington Interim Chief People Officer, Human Resource Management Services

NOTICE OF APPLICATION APPLICATION FOR APPROPRIATION OF WATER FROM GROUND WATER

TAKE NOTICE that WALTER, MARVIN JR., WARWICK, ND, has submitted Water Permit Application No. 7314 to the North Dakota Department of Water Resources for a permit to divert and appropriate water from ground water.

The application requests a permit to appropriate water from ground water, utilizing point(s) of diversion located in the NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 150 N., Range 063 W., Eddy County, at a pumping rate of 800 gallons per minute during the operating season for each year said water permit may remain in force, with an annual appropriation of 97.12 acre-feet of water, for the purpose of irrigating 97.12 acres in the NE1/4 of Section 10, Township 150 N., Range 063 W., as shown on the map(s) accompanying the

TAKE NOTICE that written comments regarding the proposed appropriation must be filed in the North Dakota Department of Water Resources, 1200 Memorial Highway, Bismarck, North Dakota 58504-5262, by 5 o'clock p.m., on the 17 day of May 2023. The Department of Water Resources shall consider all written comments received and prepare a recommended decision which will be provided to the applicant and any person who filed written comments. Those persons may file additional comments with the Department of Water Resources, request an adjudicative proceeding on the application, or both. Dated at Bismarck, North Da-

kota, on April 5, 2023. /s/ John Paczkowski, P.E. North Dakota State Engineer 1200 Memorial Highway Bismarck, ND 58504-5262 **Published April 17 and 24, 2023**

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY OF NEW ROCKFORD BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

President Richter called the Tax Equalization Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on April 3, 2023, in City Hall with Hewitt, McKnight present, Belquist present via phone. City Attorney Peterson, PWS Hirchert and City Auditor Schumacher also present.

City Assessor Kristy O'Connor handed out information packages. There were 25 Residential sales, 8 Commercial and 3 vacant lot sales in 2022. For the 2022 sales analysis the State Tax Department granted a 10% median tolerance range. The final ratios after the adjustment are within tolerance required by the State of North Dakota. O'Connor reviewed the net value breakdown, taxable valuations, and city mill levy. O'Connor reported that there are 13 Vet Service Property Tax credits resulting in \$13,011.00 tax dollars and 39 Homestead Property Tax Credits, resulting in \$26,694.00 tax dollars for 2023. It was decided to approve the Tax Equalization Meeting at the end of the Regular Council Meeting. The Tax Equalization meeting was closed at 7:14 p.m.

I hereby certify that the forgo ing is a correct transcript of the proceedings of the City of New Rockford Board of Equalization of New Rockford, Eddy County, North Dakota.

In testimony whereof I have nereunto set my hand this Third Day of April 3, 2023.

Becki Schumacher City Auditor Published April 17, 2023

ABBREVIATED NOTICE OF INTENT TO AMEND ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

RELATING TO STANDARDS OF QUALITY FOR WATERS OF THE STATE

ND Dept. of **Environmental** Quality (NDDEQ)

will hold a public hearing to address proposed amendments to the N.D. Admin. Code ch. 33.1-16-02.1 at the following time and location:

NDDEQ 4201 Normandy Street Bismarck, ND 58503-1324 Wed., June 21, 2023 5:30 p.m. CST

or remotely by video conference by emailing pwax@nd.gov for details

A copy of the proposed rules and supporting information may be accessed at https://deq.nd.gov/ PublicNotice.aspx or obtained by writing the NDDEQ at 4201 Normandy St., Bismarck ND 58503-1324, emailing pwax@nd.gov, or calling 701-328-5268. Written or oral comments on the proposed rules may be submitted to the above address, email address, or telephone number until July 3.

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Dated this 12th day of April 2023. Karl Rockeman, Director Division of Water Quality

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