

**LAKE COUNTY ESD
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
MAY 24, 2023**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Clayton Sharp Bill Black (SD #18)
Will Cahill Gail Buermann (SD #14)
Judy Springer Scott Duffner (SD #14)
Stefani Roseberry David Shanahan (SD #11)
Pete Osborne (SD #21)
James vanBelle (SD#11)

PUBLIC PRESENT: Paul Hauder (Supt., SD #11)

STAFF PRESENT: Lane Stratton, Superintendent
Sara Sarensen, Business Manager
Mark Louie, Special Programs Administrator
Taylor Hileman, Administrative Assistant

OPENING

The meeting was called to order at the Paisley Community Center at 6:30 p.m. by ESD Budget Chair Shanahan.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

CONSENT ITEMS

Bill Black moved to approve the agenda as presented. Pete Osborne seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Bill Black moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2023 budget committee meeting as presented. James vanBelle seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

**INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS
BUDGET MEETING CALENDAR 2023-24**

Included in the budget document is the 2023-24 budget calendar and the projected 2024-25 calendar. The calendar is government regulated. There were no questions or concerns regarding the calendar.

2023-24 BUDGET MESSAGE & BUDGET PRESENTATION

Supt. Stratton read aloud the budget message. The budget is based on a \$10.0 billion funding level. The five noticeable changes in the budget include:

- Discontinuance of ESSER/COVID funds of approximately \$180,000
- Reduction in SLP staffing from 3.0 to 2.5 FTE
- Increase in service costs (audit, insurance, ivisions)
- 3% COLA (cost of living) and a \$50 insurance cap increase
- New ODE grants: SSPS (\$143,000) and SpTA (\$59,000)

Superintendent Stratton then went through the budget document with explanations of all programs in the general fund, special funds, and capital funds. Committee member Black questioned the accountability of superintendent presence at Plush board meetings. Black expressed that \$20,000 was a large expense to not have the superintendent present for three to six months at a time. This was directed towards previous superintendents.

There were no further questions or comments regarding the 2023-24 proposed budget.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE PROPOSED 2023-24 CALENDAR AND BUDGET

Bill Black made a motion to approve the 2023-24 budget calendar and a budget of \$3,288,000.

Pete Osborne seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Clayton Sharp made a motion that the districts impose taxes provided for a rate of .6364 per \$1,000 of assessed value for operations. Pete Osborne seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Lane Stratton, Superintendent

David Shanahan, Chair