

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Ellicottville Central School**

**Regular Meeting  
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**Sht. No. 1808  
April 7, 2015**

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Carl Calarco, Connie Hellwig, Michelle Cortez, Nicole Klein, William Murphy, Roger Spell, Leonard Zlockie

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Mark Ward, Melissa Sawicki, Robert Miller, Connie Poulin, Aimee Kilby

**Staff Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Sharon Turano (Villager), Kim Woodarek

**Call to order of meeting**

President Calarco called the regular meeting of April 7, 2015 of the Ellicottville Central School Board of Education to order at 7:30 p.m. The pledge to the flag of the United States was recited.

**Roll Call**

All Present

**Changes, Additions and Deletions to the Agenda**

None

**Statements and questions from the audience**

Kim Woodarek stated that she was at the board meeting to thank the board and administration for the Strategic Planning Meetings that have recently been held in the district. She stated that she is on the Academic Excellence Team and it is a pleasure being involved in the process. She added that she would especially like to thank Connie Poulin and Bob Miller for all of their hard work and for bringing everyone together.

**Approve Agenda**

Moved by Klein, seconded by Cortez, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools to approve the agenda for the April 7, 2015 Board of Education meeting.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

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**New Business**

- a. Moved by Zlockie, seconded by Spell, upon the recommendation of Mark J. Ward, Superintendent of Schools, to approve the following propositions to be put before District Voters on Tuesday, May 19, 2015:

**PROPOSITION NO. 1 - Basic Budget**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: Resolved: That the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, BE AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXPEND THE SUM OF \$11,620,182 for the 2015/2016 school year budget. The Basic Budget will provide funds for all of the educationally related services and the maintenance of our school building.

**PROPOSITION NO. 2 - School Bus Lease**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: Resolved: This proposition will authorize the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District in the County of Cattaraugus, State of New York, to levy an additional (not to exceed) \$32,200 to lease 2 (66 passenger) 2016 International School Buses for each of the next five years commencing with the 2015/20156 school year.

**PROPOSITION NO. 3 – Ellicottville Memorial Library Tax**

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to wit: Resolved: Shall the proposition be approved authorizing the Board of Education of the Ellicottville Central School District to levy taxes annually in the amount of \$29,943 and to pay over such monies to the trustees of the Ellicottville Memorial Library.

**Discussion:** Superintendent Ward reviewed the budget numbers and stated that the key items in the budget are: The MS Special Education Program, new Elementary Teacher, reinstating the Business Program and the addition of around 200 new computers (possibly laptops) for students in grades 9-12. He added that the budget will be up between 4-5%. He stated that the projected increase in taxes (which will not be known until the end of July) will be around 4.2%, of which 2.3 % represents the capital projects and 1.9% is towards the tax cap. Superintendent Ward complimented Aimee Kilby, District Treasurer on doing a great job with the budget. He added that she did a fabulous job and really knows how to utilize technology to have the numbers be accurate. Superintendent Ward stated that the district hopes to end the year on the positive side. Superintendent Ward stated that he feels the budget is a responsible one and the community will support it.

**Yes – 7  
No – 0  
Carried**

**Adjournment of Meeting**

Moved by Murphy, seconded by Hellwig, to adjourn the regular meeting of April 7, 2015 at 8:35 p.m.

**Yes - 7  
No - 0  
Carried**

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District Clerk

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Deputy District Clerk