Special Board Meeting

Members Present: Amy Drozdziel- President, Andrea Spengler, Jamie Hebner, Michelle Merritt, Derek Case, Lindsey Ellis, and Mervin Fry.

Other: Dr. John O'Connor

Call to Order

Amy Drozdziel opened the meeting at 5:30pm.

Pledge to the Flag

Approval of the Agenda

Jamie Hebner made the motion, seconded by Mervin Fry to approve the agenda.

All voted yes.

Motion was carried.

New Business Consent Agenda

Lindsey Ellis made the motion, seconded by Jamie Hebner to approve the following resolution:

Notice of Budget Hearing Meeting, Annual Budget Vote, Budget Proposition, Acquisition of School Transportation Vehicles Proposition, and Election of Two Board Members for the Forestville Central School District

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the annual meeting and election of the Forestville Central School District, Chautauqua and Cattaraugus Counties, New York (the "District"), will be held on **Tuesday, May 16, 2023** from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., prevailing time, in the Elementary Cafeteria located at 12 Water Street, Forestville, 14062 for the purpose of voting on the District's budget for the 2023-2024 fiscal year, one proposition to acquire transportation vehicles, and electing two members of the Board of Education, and transacting such other business as is authorized by law.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a public hearing for the voters of the District on the 2023-2024 budget will be held on **Thursday**, **May 4**, **2023**, **at 5:30 p.m.** at the Middle School/High School in the Alene J. Bradigan Library at 4 Academy Street, Forestville, NY 14062.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the business to be conducted at such annual meeting and election shall consist of voting on the following propositions, and any other propositions authorized to be voted upon by law and the rules of the Board of Education:

PROPOSITION #1

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the budget for the Forestville Central School District (the "District"), for the fiscal year of the District commencing July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, as presented by the Board of Education, is hereby approved and adopted and the required



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funds therefor are hereby appropriated and the necessary real property taxes required shall be raised by a tax on the taxable property in the District to be levied and collected as required by law.

PROPOSITION #2 - ACQUISITION OF SCHOOL TRANSPORTATION VEHICLES

Shall the following resolution be adopted, to-wit:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education (the "Board") of the Forestville Central School District (the "District") is hereby authorized to purchase the following vehicles, including related equipment: 2 (two) 65-passenger buses at a total estimated maximum cost of \$317,703 to be used in the transportation program of the District, or so much thereof as may be necessary, being raised by a tax upon the taxable property within said District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such years and in such amounts as may be determined by the Board, with such tax to be partially offset by State aid available therefor, and in anticipation of the collection of such tax, by the issuance of debt obligations of the District or installment purchase contracts having a term of not more than five years entered into by the District in accordance with New York State Law.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that there will be two vacancies to be filled on Board of Education by reason of the expiration of the term of office of two Board incumbents. The candidates for the Board of Education receiving the largest number of votes shall be elected to a four-year term to commence July 1, 2023 and expire June 30, 2027.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a voting machine will be used to record the vote on the budget, on all propositions, and on the election of two (2) Board members.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that all candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be nominated by petition. Each petition shall be directed to the Clerk of the District, shall be signed by at least twenty-five (25) qualified voters or 2% of qualified voters from previous election of the District, shall state the residence of each signer and shall state the name and residence of the candidate. Each petition shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of the District, 12 Water Street Forestville, NY 14062 between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.** not later than the thirtieth (30th) day preceding the annual meeting and election, to-wit, **April 17, 2023**.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that applications for absentee ballots may be obtained at the office of the Clerk of the District between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** prevailing time and **3:30 p.m.** prevailing time except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven days before the election, if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or on the day before the election, if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the office of the Clerk of the District not later than **5:00 p.m.** on **May 16, 2023**.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that military voters, as defined in Section 122.2(f) of the Commissioner's Regulations, who are qualified voters of the District may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at the Forestville Elementary School, 12 Water Street Forestville, NY 14062 between the hours of **8:00 a.m.** prevailing time and **3:30 p.m.** prevailing time except Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than **5:00 p.m. on April 21, 2023**. The voter may designate a preference to receive the application or ballot by mail, facsimile, or electronic mail.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the Clerk of the District, where it shall be available for public

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inspection between the hours of **8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.**, prevailing time, on each of the five days prior to the day of the election, except Sundays and such list shall also be posted at the polling place for such annual meeting and election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District will have prepared and completed a detailed statement in writing of the amount of money which will be required during the 2023-2024 fiscal year for school purposes, specifying the several purposes and the amount for each. The amount for each purpose estimated necessary for payments to Boards of Cooperative Educational Services shall be shown in full, with no deduction of estimated state aid. The amount of state aid provided and its percentage relationship to the total expenditures shall also be shown. Such statement shall be available at least seven days before the budget hearing, May 4, 2023, at which it is to be presented and copies thereof shall be prepared and made available, upon request, to residents within the District during the period of seven days before the budget hearing and/or fourteen days immediately preceding the annual meeting and election (exclusive of Saturday, Sunday or holidays), and may be obtained by any resident in the District in the District Office and at Forestville Elementary School, 12 Water Street Forestville, NY 14062 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. prevailing time during the fourteen days immediately preceding the annual meeting and election and on the day of the election.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the Board of Education of the District has adopted rules for the submission of propositions to be considered at the annual meeting and election, and printed copies for general distribution in the District are available at the office of the District Clerk.

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Publish: 3/31, 4/14, 4/28, 5/12

All voted yes.

Motion was carried.

Mervin Fry made the motion, seconded by Andrea Spengler to adjourn the meeting at 5:35 pm.

All voted yes.

Motion was carried.

Adjournment