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Wayne Central School District

LETTER to the BOARD

May 20, 2005

"Use the talents you possess, for the woods would be very silent if no birds sang except the best."

-- Henry Van Dyke

Greetings from Wayne Central. Below are a few items of interest.

BOARD AGENDA

- 1. <u>Executive Session:</u> There will be an executive session at 6:30 to have our annual discussion about probationary teachers, the parent appeal on bussing, and an update on the high school principalship. An additional executive session may occur at 8:30 if necessary.
- 2. <u>Swearing in of new Board member</u>: We need to swear in our new Board member Mr. Don Davis. Because he was the high vote getter, he will replace Jeff until the July Board meeting. Jeff gets a vacation which isn't a bad thing with the weather getting nicer.
- 3. <u>Budget Vote Results:</u> We will review the budget results. I have attached area results for your review. In our B.O.C.E.S. about 20% of the districts lost their budget. This is highest no vote in many years. Ours was closer than I feel comfortable with. We probably will want to produce more of a campaign next year.
- 3. <u>Third Quarter Academic Report</u>: Mr. Spring will be setting aside the principal hat and wearing his Assistant Superintendent hat for the evening while he makes his Academic Report for the third quarter.
- 4. <u>ELA Results:</u> The New York State K-4 and 5-8 ELA results are now official. Mr. Spring will present an overview of the results.

BOARD LETTER

1. **Budget Vote**: Attached are the official results of the vote (see attached Actionline).

- 2. <u>Albany Trip</u>: On Thursday I attended meetings in Albany for the House of Delegates Committee. I represent the superintendents within our 25 school B.O.C.E.S. The topics for discussion are NCLB and the reduction in Federal Funding.
- 3. <u>Randy Pellis and Susan Brown Responses</u>: John wrote a letter responding to Randy Pellis' comments at the May 5 Board meeting. I have responded to the questions raised by Susan Brown. Both responses are attached.
- 4. **Juul Agreement:-** I have agreed to a Juul agreement for one teacher this year, Brian Grayson. Brian teaches Mathematics at our high school. A Juul agreement is an agreement between the superintendent, the WTA and the teacher that we will forego awarding tenure on a teacher for one additional year. It can be agreed upon for a number of reasons. The criteria I have set with the principals for requesting a Juul agreement includes. 1) A credible reason why the principal was not able to make the tenure decision after three years as is their responsibility. In this case it is because Mr. Spring has just recently taken over the principalship, 2) A sincere belief that the teacher will be successful if given another year to work on their area of weakness. Larry believes Mr. Grayson will be a good teacher and 3) An approved improvement plan including how success will be measured. Mr. Grayson and Mr. Spring have jointly submitted such a plan. Mr. Spring will talk about this particular staff member during our probationary discussion.
- 5. <u>Gas Leak:</u> This morning, the electrical contractor "Blackman Farrell" was working on the broken lamp pole in front of the HS on Route 350. While making their repairs, they accidentally hit the gas line (the lines were side by side). They notified the school immediately, and we initiated a building evacuation. We placed calls to the Fire Department and RGE. The students were evacuated behind the building past the athletic fields. One fire engine arrived and set up in the front bus loop. A second fire engine set up at the fire hydrant near the four corners. The state police blocked off the bus loop and RGE came and shut off the gas main.

Fire fighters, RGE and Wayne personnel did a complete building check with gas detectors to determine if there was any gas that had leaked into the building. Once they determined the building was safe, re-entry began. However, as students began to come back into the building, the fire alarm went off. Fire department and Wayne personnel checked the building and the system and determined that it was caused by dust on the sensor, believed to have been triggered by the students re-entering the school and bringing in the dust from the field work. The students missed the majority of their advisory period.

When the information on the gas leak was reported to the school and the need to evacuate confirmed, the high school administration utilized the student announcements (which were about to occur). Unfortunately, the announcements were broadcast live over Cable Channel 6 – SchoolCast which goes to homes and schools in the area. The announcements were aired for about an hour before they were pulled from the air.

Students were very well behaved and patient, staff responded very professionally. The Homeland Security guidelines for a gas leak were utilized and the process went very smoothly. Several parents arrived for meetings or student activities, but were very understanding.

6. <u>Editor's Letters (WCM):</u> There are two letters to the editor attached. One is the response to Mr. Pellis that I mentioned last week by a staff member. The other is about the MS production "Annie."

7. **Events**:

- May 21 HS PTSA Clothing Drive @ HS
- May 23 OE Chorus Concert @ PAC 7:00 p.m.
- May 24 MS Art Show @ MS Cafeteria 6:30 8:00 p.m.
- May 25 OP Spring Concert @ PAC 7:00 p.m.
- May 26 Board of Education Meeting @ DO 7:30 p.m.
- May 30 Memorial Day Observed at Memorial Point Bear Creek Harbor 7:30 p.m.
- May 31 OP/OE PTA mtg @ OE 3:30 p.m.
- May 31 MS Fossil Trip
- May 31 HS Undergraduate Awards @ PAC 7:00 p.m.

Athletics: (Home Games)

- 4/24 Boys Modified Baseball vs. Penn Yan 1 4:15
- 4/24 Girls Modified Baseball vs. Penn Yan 1 4:15

8. Attachments:

- a) R. Pellis Response
- b) S. Brown Response
- c) MS Art Show Invitation 5/26
- d) Walworth Town Board Meeting Minutes 5/5
- e) Actionline Budget Vote Results
- f) ELA Results D & C Article
- g) WCM Letters to the Editor
- h) HS Honor Roll
- i) Le Chase Construction Meeting Minutes 5/17



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May 12, 2005

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Pellis 1920 Ridge Road Ontario, NY 14519

Dear Mr. Pellis:

On Thursday, May 5, 2005 the Board of Education conducted an executive session as part of the regular business meeting. During this executive session, we discussed your letter and comments regarding the Middle School Discipline policies.

The Board of Education carefully considered your concerns regarding our Middle School. We also had our Superintendent, Mr. Havens, provide us with background information regarding Middle School discipline.

We find the Middle School to have a firm but fair discipline system. It follows Board policy 7310, which was developed by the Board Policy Committee. We are proud of the accomplishments of our Middle School students and believe the behavior we expect from our students has contributed to their academic success.

Thank you for taking the time to share your beliefs with the Board of Education.

Sincerely,

John Triou, President Wayne Central Board of Education Xc: Board of Education M. Havens

MS Administration



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May 17, 2005

Mrs. Susan Brown 7518 Knickerbocker Road Ontario, NY 14519

Dear Susan,

Thank you for your questions at our recent Board of Education Budget hearing. The proposed budget has a debt service that comprises approximately 9.2% of the budget. As I stated in my presentation, this is up from last year as a result of our building project.

Your second question was whether we would consider counting outside clubs in meeting the graduation requirement. My response at this time is a tentative "possibly." We believe that the teamwork, leadership and character education are being taught effectively in many of our outside organizations. What we have to figure out is how we certify that these skills are being addressed. We have a further complication with religious youth groups which teach these same skills. We have to be cognizant of the separation of church and state rulings. So I would say in theory, yes. We do expect to utilize outside groups. We just are not yet certain, in practice, what that entails.

Thank you for your questions and interest.

Sincerely,

Michael Havens Superintendent of Schools MH/les

Xc: Board of Education

∞ Students First - Excellence for All ∞

1st Annual T.C. Armstrong Middle School



Tuesday, May 24, 2005 6:30pm — 8:00pm Middle School Cafeteria

Please Come See Artwork Created By

<u>ALL</u> the 6th and 7th Grade Students



Refreshments Will Be Served

The regular Town Board meeting, held at the Walworth Town Hall, 3600 Lorraine Drive, was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by Supervisor Frank Guelli. Board members present: Daniel Keyes, Frank Maciuska, Patti Marini and Thomas Yale.

Other town employees present: John Aman, Assessor

Norman Druschel, Building Inspector Michael Frederes, Highway Superintendent Debora Germain, Recreation Director Paul Russell, Town Engineer George Schaller, Sewer Superintendent Louise Weller, Deputy Town Clerk Phil Williamson, Code Enforcement Officer

Marcia Englert, Town Clerk

CORRESPONDENCE:

Supervisor Guelli read a letter from NYS Town Clerk of the Year Chairperson that commended Marcia Englert on being nominated for the award this year. Annually, one Clerk is selected for this prestigious honor because of the high degree of professionalism demonstrated in serving their office. The final decision, being very difficult, had to be made by an independent group. Although Marcia was not named Clerk of the Year, she reigns as our perpetual CLERK OF THE YEAR.

Supervisor Guelli and the Town Board were commended on having a Town Clerk who is so

highly qualified and holds the high admiration and respect of her constituents. After a standing ovation, Marcia received the letters that were sent to the Town Clerks State Association.

MINUTES:

Motion by Councilwoman Marini to approve the minutes of April 21, 2005, as presented. Seconded by Councilman Keyes and unanimously carried.

<u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</u>: No one present offered any comments.

EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT:

James Johnston presented his project of refurbishing the tennis courts on Center St. He asked the Board to approve funds to finance the project.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Yale authorizing the expenditure of up to \$1,000.00 from

contingency to reseal the tennis court's surface and repaint the chain link fence. Seconded by Councilman Maciuska.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye Councilman Maciuska Aye

Councilwoman Marini	Aye
Councilman Yale	Aye

Motion carried.

A copy of the proposal is attached.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE REPORT:

Phil Williamson stated that owners of properties in substantial disrepair would receive legal

notification that in 30 - 60 days the problem must be rectified. If no action is taken to remedy the situation, each building would then be posted as notice that the building is not fit for human occupancy.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Yale authorizing the Code Enforcement Officer to send letters

of notice to the property owners at 676 Bills Rd., 4264 Canandaigua Rd., 1497 Walworth-Penfield Rd. and 5012 Lincoln Rd. Seconded by Councilman Maciuska.

Roll call vote:	Supervisor Guelli	Aye
	Councilman Keyes	Aye
	Councilman Maciuska	Aye
	Councilwoman Marini	Aye
	Councilman Yale	Aye

Motion carried.

INTERSECTION LIGHTS:

Motion by Councilman Yale authorizing the installation of intersection lights at Arbor/Tummonds Roads and Bills/West Walworth Roads. Seconded by Councilman Maciuska.

Roll call vote:	Supervisor Guelli	Aye
	Councilman Keyes	Aye
	Councilman Maciuska	Aye
	Councilwoman Marini	Aye
	Councilman Yale	Aye

Motion carried.

LINCOLN VFD SERVICE AWARD PROGRAM:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska authorizing the Supervisor to sign the statement verifying the service points of members of the Lincoln Volunteer Fire Department. Seconded by Councilman Yale.

Roll call vote:	Supervisor Guelli	Aye
	Councilman Keyes	Aye
	Councilman Maciuska	Aye
	Councilwoman Marini	Aye
	Councilman Yale	Aye

Motion carried.

GINEGAW PARK USE APPROVED:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska authorizing the use of Ginegaw Park by Janet Peets on June 25, 2005 for a family reunion. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye
Councilman Maciuska Aye
Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

GINEGAW PARK: ALCOHOL USE PERMIT APPROVED:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska authorizing the issuance of an Alcohol Use Permit to Janet Peets, valid on June 25, 2005, for use at Ginegaw Park. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye Councilman Maciuska Aye Councilwoman Marini Aye Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

LIBRARY REQUEST:

Motion by Councilman Yale approving a sleepover in the library or the main meeting room on July 29-30 and August 5-6. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye
Councilman Maciuska Aye
Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

TOWN HALL COOLING TOWER REPAIR:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska authorizing the expenditure of up to \$4,000.00 for the purchase of a motor for the cooling tower and the associated repairs to be expended from Building Maintenance and Repair. Seconded by Councilman Yale.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye Councilman Maciuska Aye Councilwoman Marini Aye Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

TOWN OFFICES FAX MACHINE PURCHASE AUTHORIZED:

Motion by Councilman Keyes authorizing the purchase of a fax machine for a cost not to exceed \$450.00. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call vote: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye Councilman Maciuska Aye Councilwoman Marini Aye Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

SEWER DEPT. TRAINING AUTHORIZED:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska authorizing the expenditure of \$50.00 prepaid from SS8110.41 for George Schaller and John Pagliuso to attend a training session in Chili on May 20, 2005. Seconded by Councilman Keyes.

Roll call: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye
Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilman Maciuska Aye
Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

PARKS DEPT. VEHICLE DECLARED SURPLUS:

Motion by Councilman Keyes authorizing the 1996 pickup be declared surplus.

Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye
Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilman Maciuska Aye
Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

HIGHWAY DEPT. EQUIPMENT DECLARED SURPLUS:

Motion by Councilman Keyes authorizing the following equipment be declared surplus:

1988 Chevrolet 4 x 4 pickup 1988 John Deere 310C Backhoe 1 ton roller deluxe rollpak

Seconded by Councilwoman Marini.

Roll call: Supervisor Guelli Aye

Councilman Keyes Aye
Councilwoman Marini Aye
Councilman Maciuska Aye
Councilman Yale Aye

Motion carried.

DOLOMITE PARK BUILDING REPAIR:

Councilman Keyes stated that the roof of the building at Dolomite Park is in need of

repair. The Parks Committee will address the issue at their next meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska to adjourn to executive session to discuss a personnel matter. Seconded by Councilman Yale and unanimously carried. Time: 8:10 P.M.

RECONVENED:

Supervisor Guelli reconvened the meeting at 8:23 P.M.

SUPERVISOR'S APPOINTMENT:

Motion by Councilman Maciuska accepting the Supervisor's appointment of Barbara Kuelling as confidential secretary. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini and unanimously carried.

ADJOURN:

Motion by Councilman Yale to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Marini and unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Weller, RMC Deputy Town Clerk