

BUDGET/FEE HEARING MINUTES
JT SCHOOL DISTRICT #342
CULDESAC, ID 83524

The Board of Trustees held their budget/fee hearing meeting on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 7:45 p.m. as posted/published in the School Title Room. Those in attendance were Chairman Cecil Martin, Vice-chairman Bryce Scrimsher, Trustee Andrew Renshaw, Superintendent Alan Felgenhauer and Clerk/Treasurer Loretta Hammond-Nichols. (Trustees – Mitchell Reid due to work schedule change and Eric Steigers due to farming/field issue were absent).

Chairman Martin called the public meeting to order to discuss the proposed budget and the meal price increase for next school year at 7:48 p.m.

BUDGET DISCUSSION

Superintendent explained that the 2020-2021 budget reflects the 5% holdback/freeze as proposed by the Governor with a certified staff cutback. The new CARE grant will help to retain an existing para this next year. Carryover funds used to help offset some of next year expenses. The two-year supplemental levy passed in March will help carry the district through these next few years recovering from COVID-19. The proposed basic budget is similar to this year. The summer safety remodel project completion in August. The gym floor refinishing done in July. The M&O budget revenue estimate is \$1,673,375.00 with expenditures at \$2,131,593.00. This will reduce the M&O fund balance about \$458,218.00. Federal/Other grant budget revenues estimate is \$288,700.00 with expenditures at \$273,869.00. The new CARE grant helps to maintain the total overall balance for those funds.

Chairman Martin asked for any questions regarding the proposed budget. No questions at this time. Adoption of the proposed budget will be at the regular meeting that follows at 8:00 p.m.

FEE INCREASE DISCUSSION

Superintendent explained that a fee increase is due to rising food costs and the additional grab-n-go supplies needed for classroom meals. Each year the National Child Nutrition Program recommends a ten-cent increase to keep up with the cost of food and supplies in meal preparation. The last increase in meal price was in 2016 for a quarter. This proposed twenty-five cent increase is being requested for each breakfast and lunch served. Breakfast of \$2.00 for P/K-12 grades would cost \$2.25. Lunch of \$3.00 for K-8 grades would cost \$3.25. Lunch for 9-12 grades of \$3.25 would cost \$3.50. Adult meals would increase a quarter as well. Breakfast of \$4.00 to \$4.25 and lunch of \$6.00 to \$6.25. No increase in the reduced prices .30 cents for breakfast and .40 cents for lunch as set by the National Child Nutrition Program for those students that qualify through the application process.

Chairman Martin asked for any questions regarding the proposed fee increase. No questions at this time. Adoption of the fee increase will be at the regular meeting following at 8:00 p.m.

Hearing adjournment: 7:59 PM

Chairman

Clerk