

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING
6:00 PM
Monday, September 14, 2020
Teacher Training Conference Center
A G E N D A**

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

C. Burney, A. Clark, J. Marasco, A. Parks, R. Vokt, N. Rogic-Greufe

III. Business

Consideration of and public comment on the proposed 2020-21 Budget including the General Fund, Bond Fund, Activity Fund, Student Fee Fund, School Nutrition Fund, Depreciation Fund, Special Building Fund and Employee Benefit Fund.

Chief Financial Officer P. Roth will give a brief presentation on the proposed 2020-21 budgets.

The board will receive public comments.

IV. Adjourn

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
ANNUAL PROPERTY TAX PUBLIC HEARING
Approximately 6:15 PM (Immediately following Budget Hearing)
Monday, September 14, 2020
Teacher Training Conference Center
A G E N D A**

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

C. Burney, A. Clark, J. Marasco, A. Parks, R. Vokt, N. Rogic-Greufe

III. Business

Consideration of and public comment on the proposed 2020-21 System-wide Property Tax Request for the General Fund, Special Building Fund, and Bond Fund.

Chief Financial Officer P. Roth will give a brief presentation on the proposed 2020-21 property tax requests.

The board will receive public comments.

IV. Adjourn

**ELKHORN PUBLIC SCHOOLS
BOARD OF EDUCATION
REGULAR MEETING**

Immediately following the Annual Property Tax Hearing at approximately 6:30 PM
Monday, September 14, 2020
Administration Building

A G E N D A

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

C. Burney, A. Clark, J. Marasco, A. Parks, R. Vokt, N. Rogic-Greufe

III. Notices:

Open Meetings Act - The Board of Education makes available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room at a location accessible to members of the public. The Act is posted on the east wall of the board meeting room.

Instructions for those who wish to speak during citizen comment time: The Board of Education recognizes the importance of citizen participation in school district matters. In order to assure citizens are heard and board meetings are conducted efficiently and in an organized manner, the board shall set time aside for citizen participation at all regular monthly board meetings. To address the board, citizens must provide their name and address on the sign-in sheet immediately upon entering the meeting, and when called, come forward to the table situated immediately in front of the board. Citizens may speak only one time and must limit comments to five (5) minutes or less if there are several members of the public present to speak. If you are planning to speak about a personnel or student matter involving an individual, please understand that board policies require that such concerns initially be directed to the administration for consideration. Board members will generally not respond to any questions you ask or comments you may make about individual staff members or students. You are cautioned that slanderous comments are not protected just because they are made at a board meeting. Please remember this is a public meeting for the conduct of the business of the Board of Education. Offensive language, personal attacks and hostile conduct will not be tolerated. The Board President may order persons who are disorderly to be removed from the meeting. Recording of the meeting is allowed, except for executive (closed) sessions, provided that the Board President is notified and that the recording device does not interfere with the meeting. (Policy 204.12)

IV. Citizen Comments: (Not to exceed 5 minutes per individual or 15 minutes per topic)

A. Citizen Comments (Please sign-in prior to addressing the Board of Education)

V. Monthly Reports:

- A. Good News Report
- B. EHS & ESHS Student Council Reports
- C. Other

VI. Consent Agenda

(Note: Items on the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted under one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items at the meeting unless a board member requests an item to be removed from the agenda for separate action.)

- A. Approval of Agenda
- B. Approval of Minutes of the Monday, August 10, 2020 at 6:30 PM Regular Meeting
- C. Presentation of September bills for approval and payment

VII. Items Removed From the Consent Agenda for Separate Action

- A. _____
- B. _____

VIII. Business Items (Action Requested)

- A. 2020-21 Budget – CFO P. Roth
 - a. Consideration of 2020-21 Budget including the General Fund, Bond Fund, Activity Fund, Student Fee Fund, School Nutrition Fund, Depreciation Fund, Special Building Fund and Employee Benefit Fund
- B. Property Tax Request –CFO P. Roth
 - a. Consider 2020-21 Tax Request Resolution for the General Fund, Special Building Fund, and Bond Fund
- C. Bond Refinancing – CFO P. Roth
 - a. Consider a bond resolution allowing the issuance for refunding bonds up to \$55,000,000
- D. Personnel – D. Pechous
 - a. The administration requests that the Board consider a Release of Contract Request and appointments.
- E. 2020-21 Calendar – B. Habrock
 - a. Consider revising the 2020-21 calendar to make November 3rd a student vacation day and teacher in-service/work-day
- F. Closed Session – J. Marasco and B. Habrock

IX. Reports/Discussion Items:

- A. Naming of Middle School #5 – Principal D. Garrsion
- B. Other

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NEXT MEETING – The next regular meeting of the board is scheduled for Monday, October 12, 2020, at 6:30 PM, in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 20650 Glenn Street, Elkhorn, NE 68022.

NOTE: The **Board Agenda Explanation** contains pertinent notes and administration recommendations for the Regular Meeting, Monday, September 9, 2019.

- V. **Citizen Comments** – The Board allows 5 minutes per person and a total of 15 minutes per topic during the public comment section of their meeting.

- V. **Monthly Reports** – The Board will receive a “Good News Report” and reports from the student council representatives from both high schools.

- VI. **Consent Agenda** - The following items are recommended for approval on the consent agenda by the administration: Agenda, Minutes of the Monday, August 19, 2019 6:30 PM Regular Board Meeting and September bills as presented.

- VIII. **Business Items**
 - A. **Consideration of 2020-21 Budget including the General Fund, Bond Fund, Activity Fund, Student Fee Fund, School Nutrition Fund, Depreciation Fund, Special Building Fund and Employee Benefit Fund** – The administration recommends the Board consider the 2020-21 annual budget for the school district.

 - B. **Consider 2020-21 Tax Request Resolution for the General Fund, Special Building Fund, and Bond Fund** – The administration recommends the Board consider the tax requests resolution and resultant levy impact to fund the 2020-21 annual budget for the school district.

 - C. **Consider a bond resolution allowing the issuance for refunding bonds up to \$55,000,000** – The administration will recommend bonds to be refinanced have an average interest rate of approximately 3.75% and we hope to get rates under 2.0% and provide substantial interest savings to taxpayers. The interest at the time of execution will determine the exact amount to be refinanced. Of course, the District will not refinance if not beneficial to the taxpayer.

 - D. **Consider release of contracts and appointments for the 2020-21 school year** – The administration requests that the Board consider a Release of Contract Request and appointments.

 - E. **Consider revising the 2020-21 calendar to make November 3rd a student vacation day and teacher in-service/work-day** – November 3rd is an election day and 9 schools serving as polling place including Elkhorn South High, which creates a new set of challenges to be in session given parking considerations.

 - F. **Closed Session** – President J. Marasco and Supt. B. Habrock - Policy 204.06 allows the Board to enter into closed session for reasons including, strategy sessions with respect to collective bargaining, real estate purchases, or litigation. The Board will consider entering a closed session to discuss litigation strategy and personnel. During a closed session no action will be taken by the Board, and all discussion will be limited to the announced reason(s) for entering the closed session. Following the closed session, the Board will reconvene before adjournment.

- IX. **Reports/Discussion Items**
 - A. **Naming of Middle School #5** – Principal Deb Garrison will share the finalist names, mascots, and colors for middle school #5 as refined by her committee of students, parents, and teachers.

 - B. **Other**