Ludington Area Schools Board of Education Meeting Minutes May 12, 2021

This is a meeting of the Board of Education in public for the purpose of conducting the School District's business and is not to be considered a public community meeting. There is a time for public participation during the meeting as indicated on the agenda.

Mission: Ludington Area School District, in partnership with parents and community, will educate and empower students to adapt and succeed in their future.

SPECIAL MEETING/WORK SESSION & ELECTRONIC/VIRTUAL MEETING

I. Call to Order & Roll Call ~ The in person and electronic/virtual special meeting work session was held in alignment with the Local State of Emergency Declaration; authorized pursuant to the Michigan Open Meetings Act, MCL 15.263a via Meeting Link: meet.google.com/ucb-iazu-acv or by dialing in via phone number: (US) +1 262-404-7066 and PIN: 2703 757 134#. The meeting was held in the Ludington High School Library, 508 North Washington Avenue, Ludington, Michigan, 49431. The meeting was called to order by Board President Carlson at six o'clock p.m.

Members Present: Steve Carlson, Bret Autrey, Mike Nagle,, Stephanie Reed, Josh Snyder, Leona Ashley

- Members Absent: Scott Foster
- II. Agenda Modification ~ None to report.
- III. Citizen Participation ~ The following citizens spoke or sent comments to be read to the board: Dr. Dennis and Melody Nordine, Gordie Davidson, Constance Clark, Ted May, Judith Stouder, Theresa Williams, Annette Quillan, Gary Dancz, Paul Simon, Sunny Emerson, Tom and Judy Riggs, Edgar Struble, Leafstrand's, Doug and Tina Marrison, Mark Gendregske, Wendy Beal, Monica Skyler, and Brian Schultz. These community members were opposing the Gibson's duplex proposal for Lakeview property and cited reasons as to why the two family homes do not fit the neighborhood; increased traffic flow and congestion, and area residents' sentiments were the same in wanting to keep the small neighborhood style and setting. They cited the look and feel of townhomes do not fit the single family style neighborhood.
- IV. Discussion Items ~ The Work Session was in lieu of committee meeting this week to provide an opportunity for the full board to review supplemental bid modifications for the sale of Lakeview Elementary and allow opportunities for community members and meeting participants to share concerns and ask questions regarding the proposals submitted. Mitch Foster, City Manager, was present to provide guidance as to how the proposals would move forward through zoning and planning committee work at the City. Mitch was available to answer questions of the Board and citizens present at the meeting. Two of the bidders were present at the meeting and provided input on their proposals.

The Elementary Bond Project Application and Certificate for Payment #13 and the L-4029 Tax Rate Request Form were reviewed. The Board heard hiring recommendations and an update on Extended COVID-19 Continuity of Learning Plan.

- V. Action Items ~ None to report.
- VI. Other Items of Business and Announcements ~ None to report.
- VII. Adjournment ~ Motion by Autrey, supported by Snyder, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Ayes: All. Nayes: None. Motion: Carries.

Michael W. Nagle, Secretary, Board of Education

Approved _____

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