

AUGUST 28, 2024

The special meeting of the Thedford Public Schools Board of Education was called to order by President Licking at 7:00 p.m. at Thedford High School. Members present: Bridget Licking, Dixie Hoffman, Alison Werner, Spencer Burk, Jay Jones, and Matt Blackford. Also present: Superintendent Dahlberg and visitors.

Burk moved, Blackford seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

There was no public comment.

Superintendent Dahlberg informed the Board that there were some questions about whether or not the school could put the ballot question on the general election in November and whether or not we could ask the question again in the same year. The Election Law allows schools to call a special election in conjunction with the general election. Our attorney had a conversation with Thomas County's attorney about whether or not we could ask the question again. Levy Override votes, which allow schools to go over the \$1.05 maximum levy, can only be asked once a year. This election is not a levy override election, so that restriction does not apply. Certain bonds have a waiting period after a failed vote before they can be asked again. There are no such restrictions in the School District Property Tax Limitation Act.

Discussion was held on the amount to ask over the District's Tax Request Authority for the 2025-2026 school year.

Blackford moved, Burk seconded to set the request at not more than \$600,000 over the property tax authority for the 2025-2026 fiscal year. Motion carried with a 6-0 vote.

Superintendent Dahlberg read the resolution to call for a special election to be held in conjunction with the statewide general election on Tuesday, November 5, 2024 to ask if the District shall be authorized to exceed its property tax request authority for the fiscal year 2025-2026 by not more than \$600,000 which shall remain below the maximum levy limit. Hoffman moved, Werner seconded to approve the resolution's passage and adoption as read. Motion carried on a 6-0 vote.

President Licking adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, September 16th, 2024 at Thedford High School at 7:00 p.m.