

**Lansingburgh Central School District at Troy**  
**Minutes of the**  
**Special Meeting of the Board of Education**  
**Monday, August 17, 2020**  
**Turnpike Elementary School - LGI**

Public participation was virtual.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5Jry3F5Pjl&feature=youtu.be>

The meeting was called to order by Board President, Jason Shover at 5:30 p.m. **CALL TO ORDER**

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Board of Education Members, Kelley Bristol, Marie Cole, Michael Cusack, Daniella Richards, Jason Shover, James Spear, and Jeffrey White were present. Rob Morris and Michele Speanburg were absent from the meeting.

**ROLL CALL**

Others present include Sean Colfer, Matt Van Dervoort, Tom Hopkins, Greg Rashford, Carrie Phelan, Becky McGrouty, Ian Knox, Lisa Kyer, Dr. Antonio Abitabile and Christina Williams.

Motion by Mr. White:

**RESO #1-08/17/2020**  
**Approve Agenda**

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the agenda as presented.

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7      Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Motion by Mr. Cusack:

**RESO #2-08/17/2020**  
**Appoint Long-Term**  
**Substitute Teacher –**  
**Megan Hupfl**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education appoints Megan Hupfl to a Long-Term Substitute Teaching Position at Rensselaer Park Elementary School to fill the position currently held by Erika Wittman, pending clearance by New York State and the Federal Government per the Project SAVE Law, with compensation according to the LTA contract as set forth below:

Commencement of Probationary Service – September 1, 2020  
Expiration of Probationary Service – June 30, 2021

Certification Status – Students with Disabilities 1-6, Emergency COVID  
 Childhood Education Grades 1-6, Emergency COVID  
 Salary – Step 1 \$44,227

Motion Carried  
 Unanimously

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mr. Cusack:

**RESO #3-08/17/2020**  
**Approve Summer**  
**Work Days**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent,  
 the Board of Education approves the following staff for 2020  
 summer work days:

PURPOSE	EMPLOYEE	# DAYS	COMPENSATION
Wilson Foundations Training	Donna Kowalczyk	2	LTA contractual rate paid through Title I Grant
Wilson Foundations Training	Michelle Sidoti Cathy Warg	3	LTA contractual rate paid through Title I Grant
Wilson Foundations Training	Stephanie Viloria Jaime Cavanaugh Amy Brooks Samantha Brown Maureen Mahoney Jessica Dusenberry Katie Kuykendall Alexa Reyes Abby Rock Amanda Squires MacKenzie White Bianca Covello Jennifer Carroll Aliza Fane Maggie Higgins Megan Nolan Ashley Burke Jill Flannery Lynne Miles Maryanne DeNault Mollie Walsh Sabrina Hammonds Emily Burns Angela Herba Colleen Sutton Susan Alberino Jodi McNutt Jodi Cataldo Kayla McHugh Elizabeth Thorpe Julie VanSickle	1	LTA contractual rate paid through Title I Grant

Motion Carried  
 Unanimously

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7 Nays – 0

Motion by Mrs. Bristol:

**RESO #4-08/17/2020  
Approve Dusenberry  
Road PILOT  
Agreement**

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby approves a Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) Agreement for Solar Energy Systems between Rensselaer County, Town of Brunswick and Lansingburgh Central School District and Dusenberry Lan Solar 1, LLC relating to the premises located at 60 Dusenberry Lane (Tax Map 81.-2-27.12) in the Town of Brunswick, Rensselaer County, New York; and

Be it further resolved that the Board of Education authorize the Superintendent to execute the PILOT Agreement.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7      Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Motion by Mrs. Bristol:

**RESO #5-08/17/2020  
Declare Necessity of  
Wall Tile Replacement  
at LHS**

WHEREAS, in June 2020, the District discovered wall tiles at Lansingburgh High School are falling from the walls, and similar conditions exist which pose similar exposure to failure.

WHEREAS, the District’s Architect has determined that the tiles in the hallways must be replaced to mitigate the safety concern;

WHEREAS, the deterioration of the tiles and substrate wall condition was an unforeseen circumstance that affects the District’s property and threatens the health, safety and welfare of the students, staff and visitors of the Lansingburgh High School; and

WHEREAS, the wall tiles must be replaced immediately to ensure the health, safety and welfare of the students, staff and visitors of the Lansingburgh High School and cannot await competitive bidding;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the District as follows:

1. The Board of Education hereby determines and declares that the above described occurrence and the condition thereby created constitutes an immediate public emergency within the meaning of General Municipal Law Section 103(4) arising out of an accident or other unforeseen occurrence or condition whereby circumstances affecting public buildings, public property or the life, health, safety

or property of the students, staff and visitors of the Lansingburgh High School and other persons did and does require immediate remedial corrective action that cannot await public competitive bidding; and

2. Contracts for public work or the purchase of supplies, materials or equipment necessary to repair the wall tiles may be let by the Superintendent of the district, or her designee, without competitive bidding and by whatever means necessary to complete the work in the most practical manner in accord with applicable law and the best interests of the district; and
3. The Superintendent of the District, or her designee, be and is hereby authorized to negotiate and let the contract for repair of wall tile work in an amount not to exceed \$100,000; and

This Resolution shall take effect immediately and shall also ratify previous actions undertaken by the District staff to implement the repair work and to preserve safety under the circumstances.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Motion by Mrs. Bristol:

**RESO #6-08/17/2020  
Approve Expenditure  
of Repair Reserve  
Funds for Tile at LHS**

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Lansingburgh Central School District previously established a repair reserve fund pursuant to New York General Municipal Law section 6-d; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Lansingburgh Central School District intends to expend money from such reserve fund for the purposes of replacement of wall tile in the Lansingburgh High School, including contingencies; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the requirements of the provisions of section 6-d of the General Municipal Law, the Board of Education has declared this an emergency project for the health and safety of staff and students with a proposed appropriation of a sum not to exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) from the previously established repair reserve fund.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorize the expenditure of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000) from the previously established

repair reserve fund for the purposes of tile replacement, including contingencies.

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Motion by Mrs. Bristol:

RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Board of Education hereby accepts and approves Change Order #GC-001 relating to the renovation project at Lansingburgh High School.

**RESO #7-08/17/2020**  
**Approve Change**  
**Order**

Second: Mr. White

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Motion by Mrs. Bristol:

Be it resolved this meeting of the Board of Education hereby adjourns at 5:36 p.m.

**RESO #8-08/17/2020**  
**Adjourn**

Second: Mr. Spear

Ayes – 7

Nays – 0

Motion Carried  
Unanimously

Respectfully submitted,



Christina Williams  
Clerk to the Board of Education