

Board of Education Special Meeting - Public Hearing  
August 19, 2019 5:30 PM  
Professional Development Center  
631 North Green Street  
Henderson, KY 42420

**Attendance Taken at 5:30 PM:**

Present Board Members:

Mrs. Lisa Baird  
Mr. Kirk Haynes  
Mr. Wesley Smith  
Mr. Michael Waller  
Mrs. Tracey Williams

**I. Call to Order**

Discussion:

Mrs. Lisa Baird called the public hearing to order.

**II. Public Hearing to hear comments regarding a proposed general fund tax levy to begin at 5:30 p.m.**

Rationale:

The General Fund tax levied in fiscal year 2019 was 63.1 cents on real property and 63.1 cents on personal property which produced revenue of \$16,640,472.64. The proposed General Fund tax rate of 64.8 cents on real property and 64.8 cents on personal property is expected to produce \$18,065,835.49. Of this amount, \$3,102,129.62 is from new and personal property. The compensating tax rate for 2020 is 62.4 cents for real property and 62.4 cents for personal property and is expected to produce \$17,396,730.48.

Discussion:

Mary Clary asked why the working and property owners are the only ones that are taxed. She pleaded to make it fair for the whole community and have a 7% sales tax on everyone. She stated that enough is enough. Jim Embry stated that owners and farmers pay the bulk of the tax. He stated that he has to make due with what he's got and that the Board should do that too. Karl Dawson thanked the Board for their service, however, echoed the words of the two previous speakers. He stated to put a tax on automobiles, cigarettes and lottery tickets where everyone can participate instead of the landowners bearing the burden for all tax increases. He also stated that, if the tax is necessary, okay, but first dig deep and cut corners before raising property tax.

**Order #282 - Motion Passed:** Due to no one currently wishing to address the Board, a motion to recess at 5:39 p.m. until 5-10 minutes before the regular meeting passed with a motion by Mrs. Tracey Williams and a second by Mr. Michael Waller.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mrs. Lisa Baird	Yes
Mr. Kirk Haynes	Yes
Mr. Wesley Smith	Yes
Mr. Michael Waller	Yes
Mrs. Tracey Williams	Yes

**Order #283 - Motion Passed:** A motion to move out of recess at 5:55 p.m. passed with a motion by Mrs. Tracey Williams and a second by Mrs. Lisa Baird.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mrs. Lisa Baird	Yes
Mr. Kirk Haynes	Yes
Mr. Wesley Smith	Yes
Mr. Michael Waller	Yes
Mrs. Tracey Williams	Yes

**III. Adjourn**

**Order #284 - Motion Passed:** A motion to adjourn the public hearing at 6:00 p.m. passed with a motion by Mrs. Tracey Williams and a second by Mr. Michael Waller.

**5 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

Mrs. Lisa Baird	Yes
Mr. Kirk Haynes	Yes
Mr. Wesley Smith	Yes
Mr. Michael Waller	Yes
Mrs. Tracey Williams	Yes

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Lisa Baird, Chairperson

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Marganna Stanley, Superintendent