

## TRANSCRIPT of the May 5, 2020 Special Meeting of the Red Jacket Community Library Board of Trustees

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L Schaertl: Going to call the meeting to order at 7:08pm Roll call, please.

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Peggy: Okay. For trustees. We have Pat Ayres, Roxie O'Brien, Jessica Oliver, Randall Ott, Lisa Schaertl, Kim Sutter, Peggy Sutton. Director Andrea Tillinghast and Treasurer Jan Boor. Absent Jill Persson.

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L Schaertl: Right, thank you. This special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Red Jacket Community Library was called in response to the governor's executive order number 202.26

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L Schaertl: issued Friday, May 1 2020. The purpose of the special meeting is to determine the method of holding trustee elections and administering a public vote on the library's adopted 2020-2021 budget.

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L Schaertl: In accordance with the executive order number 202.26,

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L Schaertl: public notice of this meeting was provided on the library website as soon as the meeting was scheduled. In accordance with the governor's executive order 202.1 regarding temporary suspension and modification of the Open Meetings law,

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L Schaertl: this meeting is taking place remotely via video conference.

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L Schaertl: The public has the ability to view or listen to this meeting proceeding online. This meeting is being recorded the transcript of the meeting will be posted on the library website, in addition to the Minutes.

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L Schaertl: Okay, so first of all is the budget.

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L Schaertl: I move to withdraw the budget adopted at the March 9 regular meeting and instruct the director to prepare a new

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L Schaertl: 2020 2013 budget

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L Schaertl: with a tax levy of \$196,200.

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L Schaertl: Discussion?

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L Schaertl: So I'll start the discussion. Because we adopted the the 2020-2121 budget with a tax levy that was an increase, that the public would need to vote on, and in light of the financial impact of the public health emergency with COVID-19,

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L Schaertl: I was wondering if we should reconsider the adopted budget and instead move forward with continuation of the tax levy that we previously approved

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L Schaertl: in 2019-2020, which would not require a new public vote and which would keep the tax levy flat. So I wanted to simply present that for discussion.

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Jessica O: I didn't look over the budget that was sent out yesterday. And my only question would be, and I put the comments on the actual budget part, it looked like

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Jessica O: the payroll information was vastly different. Is there going to be a change in

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Jessica O: our people, like the amount of people, because it looks like clerks versus and pages were down significantly.

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Mm hmm.

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Andrea Tillinghast: So in order to stay within

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Andrea Tillinghast: our budget if there's no tax levy increase or if there was a vote failure. I need to make some significant cuts so after discussing it with the board president, I decided to

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know, we would cut a full time clerk to a part time clerk. And so we would have three part time clerks, myself full time, and the Youth Services Librarian full time.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Because I really have no place to cut much

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L Schaertl: Just, just for clarification. You're talking about the budget that we would have to adopt, now you're working on a contingency budget or a budget that we would have to adopt if we

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L Schaertl: were to go with the

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L Schaertl: previous tax levy of \$196,200 without any tax levy increase

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Andrea Tillinghast: Right, yeah.

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Andrea Tillinghast: So it's going to be even more of a change than what you see in this proposed budget for vote failure.

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Roxie.O'Brien: For the clerk I have an issue with that. Can I mean can we really do that when she's been full time for so long.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I did contact Ontario county civil service just to get an answer from them and it would be very simple. I've shared the information with the board president so that

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Andrea Tillinghast: We

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Andrea Tillinghast: We would know that this is a

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Andrea Tillinghast: Possibility to go forward.

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Andrea Tillinghast: That you can do you just fill out the paperwork and report it as you're only scheduling her part time

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Roxie.O'Brien: What I was thinking too, what about the masks and the sanitizer, and like, how much more of an increase is that going to be?

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Andrea Tillinghast: So let me pull that up. I've actually got the information about that. I just got some estimates from PLS because they're applying for some FEMA money.

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Andrea Tillinghast: They had already put this information on so it's actually in the board meeting folder and drive for our next board meeting, but our numbers are... see

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L Schaertl: And then while you're looking that up just to put it in perspective, our options since we've been ordered now to

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L Schaertl: to do our vote by absentee ballot our options are to put forth the budget that we approved, that we adopted which has the tax levy

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L Schaertl: of \$227,890, or to, and if it fails, Andrea has to do a contingency budget with a tax levy continuing from the previous year, or we can

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L Schaertl: put up a zero increase budget again for vote right now, rather than putting out the increase and then doing the contingency when it fails. And that's, those are all the numbers that Andrea is trying to crunch.

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Jessica O: Which I think. I mean, that's a big undertaking and I certainly appreciate trying to figure out all of that information. And I think just for

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Jessica O: the sake of time in the sake of everything that's going on. I certainly understand not wanting to put in that text, tax levy increase

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Jessica O: Um, I just had a couple of questions. So that if if we get asked. I have some clarification as to where we're looking at for for the cutting that we're doing.

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Andrea Tillinghast: So the, the PPE, the estimates. I've gotten from pioneer library system.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Is that is \$171.86 supposing that we can obtain these items.

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know the

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Andrea Tillinghast: Figures that they're using for the FEMA estimates, which the numbers were given to PLS so it's not a huge number.

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Roxie.O'Brien: Is that for like a month or is that like total amount

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Andrea Tillinghast: Let's see, it's

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Roxie.OBrien: That seems really cheap.

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Peggy: It does way too low.

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Andrea Tillinghast: It figures it out so

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know 35 hours a week six days a week.

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Andrea Tillinghast: 5.8 staff

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Andrea Tillinghast: Hours per day, two staff an hour with 23 gloves, a day. And so that would be if we do six weeks worth. This is what it is. Six weeks worth of gloves would be 840 gloves so eight total boxes of gloves at \$55.68 cents

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Andrea Tillinghast: And then I just the same thing extrapolating with those same numbers, the number of masks that are a mask for six weeks. How many boxes, at what cost.

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Roxie.OBrien: hand sanitizer.

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Roxie.OBrien: I know they're putting their adding more of the hand ones that are on the walls at school.

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Roxie.OBrien: They put one right outside the library doors in the middle school for years. So like if you're going into the library. It's right there.

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Roxie.OBrien: at those doors.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, we're fortunate that again that we're in the school because they're already are all those hand sanitizer stations throughout the library.

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L Schaertl: So, we know, that PPE would be an additional expense. We have really no idea what are other expenses are going to be, we can budget, we can try to budget for him, but the situation's changing so much, you know, who knows if we're going to be closing again with a second wave

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L Schaertl: We should be budgeting for more electronic materials for more eBooks and stuff and, There's just so many unknowns and it's really hard to look at

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L Schaertl: Individual line items, the one area that we do have the biggest expense and rightfully so, is our employees because the library's run by employees and we want to make sure that we're taking care of our employees.

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L Schaertl: In terms of reasonable salaries and benefits and we want to make sure that we're taking care of the public funds by having the staffing that we need.

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Jessica O: I just had two more questions.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, so this budget that I put up was, if our vote failed or if we had no vote if we had \$196,200 coming to us from a tax levy which we could either have by not having a vote right and not putting anything up for the vote, or if our vote were to fail. We'd still be funded at \$196,200

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L Schaertl: So this is kind of a what if, what, what, how would we handle that, if that's what happened. And it's a work in progress too.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, I mean, there are cuts to a number of things. There's no increase in the materials budget.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Which those are physical items in the building. And there's pretty significant cuts to programming.

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Jessica O: I think that was one of my biggest concerns was that.

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Yeah.

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Jessica O: Because I mean honestly that's part of the that's part of how the library has been community wise for for us is that it isn't a huge programming thing and I just don't. That's a hard pill to swallow I think to look at that and I certainly by no means am I saying that that

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Jessica O: You know that this is a, like a poor job or anything like that. I don't envy you trying to look at this and I'm very impressed with the numbers that you've crunched so far. Um, but I'm just, do we have to get rid of all of the programming budget?

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Randall Ott: It would be a big reduction, you know, our budget this year is \$230,000 I'm sorry \$226,000 that's our budget. Our taxes.

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Randall Ott: are nowhere near what our

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Randall Ott: Budget is, because we use reserve funds to build it up. So the budget, we're asking for next year or if we went with the adopted budget is really only \$4,000 more

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Randall Ott: Than what our than what our current budget is our tax levy's low this year. So when we're so we increase our tax levy. If we were to increase our tax levy next year. It's just bringing it up to what our budget is now so we would, yeah, that would be a huge cut in programs and staffing

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L Schaertl: And you're definitely talking about the impact of program cuts on our ability to serve the community in the way that they need to be served. There are a lot of important programs that we do offer

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L Schaertl: The free legal advice. Free legal assistance was one of them. That was huge. I think and

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Andrea Tillinghast: I get messages. A couple one or two a week about access to public computers.

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know, we're closed, do we have an idea, I need access to a computer, to internet. Adults.

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L Schaertl: Right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: That have contacted me through Facebook.

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L Schaertl: Which is an excellent way for us to serve all populations in our community, including those without Internet access and without

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L Schaertl: Computers

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Roxie.O'Brien: You can too, we've been telling people that if they have their Chromebook from school or whatever they come out to the parking lot.

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Roxie.O'Brien: If they parked in the parking lot that they can use our

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Andrea Tillinghast: Internet

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, that's what I sent a message to

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Andrea Tillinghast: Charlene early on, asking, Can we turn on our Wi Fi 24/7 and let our patrons know that they can in the parking lot to get internet access. So it's good that that that shared in turn with parents and

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Jessica O: There is a lot of like free internet services out there too. I have a listing at work. So I don't know if it would be helpful if we had if people called in. We do have some providers that are providing it free.

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Jessica O: So,

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Jessica O: I can forward that over. If you guys need it so

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Andrea Tillinghast: The first question I've always asked is, do you have children, because you can get it.

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Andrea Tillinghast: But

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L Schaertl: So the question we have at hand is is really do we want to put forth the budget that we adopted last month before everything before everything changed.

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L Schaertl: With the tax levy of \$227,890 or do we think the more responsible thing is to is to not put up a vote and just continue with the tax levy of \$196,200

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L Schaertl: You know, he

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Randall Ott: Saw me make this

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Randall Ott: Is this, I want to clarify that. Lisa, so not putting up



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Randall Ott: Our adopted budget would be a nay vote

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Randall Ott: No, it'd be yeah

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L Schaertl: I'll clarify the motion in a minute. But yeah, yes.

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L Schaertl: Good, good point. Ready, um, but I'll clarify that motion, but the choice that we're facing is

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L Schaertl: do we do we move forward with asking for the budget increase or do we not ask for a budget increase and not have a vote and just go with our last year's tax levy

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L Schaertl: There are definitely downsides either way. We can't serve the community as well if we if we don't ask for an increased tax levy on the other hand, this is a hard time to ask people for

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L Schaertl: for more money, which is the point of making the motion. So the motion as proposed is a motion to withdraw the budget adopted at the March meeting and instruct the director to prepare the new 2020-2021 budget with a tax levy of \$196,200 so, uh a yes

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Randall Ott: So withdraw is a negative term, but that would be a yea vote.

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L Schaertl: a yes vote on that would mean we don't have a budget vote this year we operate on last year's tax levy

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Jessica O: I just have one more question before I'm comfortable voting. Sorry.

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L Schaertl: Yep. Okay. You absolutely need to make sure that we're clear

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Jessica O: With the facility improvement program project that we were looking at, is that now done? like are we not looking to do any of that stuff anymore. And did we pay out any of those bills or any of those like deposits for that improvement project prior to all of this.

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Jessica O: Is

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Randall Ott: Those funds were all set aside.

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Randall Ott: In the capital fund

Jessica O: Okay

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Randall Ott: so that's out the capital fund is outside of our budget, we've been

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Jessica O: Building

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Randall Ott: For the last 20 years

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Jessica O: Okay.

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Randall Ott: And we did pay, your second question is we did pay a down payment, which was a little more than \$17,000. But now, Chris.

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Randall Ott: originally had mistakenly taken that out of

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Randall Ott: The budget, but I'm pretty sure and Jan maybe you can check when you look at the books, but I'm pretty sure that he corrected that because he said he would and made sure it came out of the capital fun

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Kim: I wonder what the public would think, though, if we're still building plus asking for more money and how they'll feel about, you know, if we can't feed our kids. How do we give you more money. Plus, you're still building

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L Schaertl: Yeah, and and the what we need to make it clear that the funds for the circulation desk and the public computer stations

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L Schaertl: Which are the two things that are the most needed are funded by the donations from the friends of the red jacket community library from

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L Schaertl: Over a year ago. So this has been a longtime progress. The carpet is being funded by the school. the school's capital project, which was already pre approved. So yeah, we just need to make sure we educate the public on on what is ongoing. Why this is happening.

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Andrea Tillinghast: In the annual report for the community. I wrote that into the letter the directors letter explanation on where funding came for that.

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Patricia Ayres: Now,

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Patricia Ayres: I have a couple of points.

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Patricia Ayres: Do, I have the floor.

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L Schaertl: Yes, go ahead. Pat

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Patricia Ayres: Thank you. First of all, I'd like to address the Patsy dilemma. When we first started the library Bob McLaughlin, who was the school librarian was our director for the first year.

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Patricia Ayres: We needed a clerk and of course we had very little money because we had no reserves of any kind. So we hired a full time clerk.

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Patricia Ayres: Which worked for us for several years. But now we're looking for flexibility so that we can fiddle around with our hours maybe do Sunday, and we need more people. So the answer to that dilemma was to make that full time clerk, A halftime clerk.

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Patricia Ayres: And I think that's probably what's going to happen if we don't get a budget increase sooner than later.

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Patricia Ayres: The second point I want to make is that the gent the friends have been very generous to this library, they still have a pool of money they can donate for programming. So I am not at all nervous about the fact that programming is being cut. They will bail us out.

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Patricia Ayres: They have to spend money they're not supposed to hoard it

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Patricia Ayres: Because they get audited, just like

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Patricia Ayres: The library does. And I know that Arlene Reeves, who is the treasure is nervous about the balance that they have. So, I, I'm not at all worried about the programming. that's going to get taken care of. But I, for one, agree with the

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Patricia Ayres: Notion that we should not

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Patricia Ayres: Go up for a higher budget tax levy, keep it the way it is now and just kind of muddle through this year and see how things kind of pan out next year.

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Patricia Ayres: I don't think it's critical that we have a budget increase at this point.

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Patricia Ayres: However, if the rest of you think that's something you want to do. I'm very interested to see how this vote is going to turn out with a mail ballot.

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Patricia Ayres: A lot of people don't vote for the school vote because they have to go to vote. This is going to be a mail in ballot and it's going to go to households and if

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Patricia Ayres: People don't have to go out of their house. They just have to

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Patricia Ayres: Mark the ballot and send it back. I think that the vote is going to be higher than what we normally would get where people walk in.

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Patricia Ayres: The library on a Monday afternoon and cast their ballot and we get maybe 100 people. We're going to have a lot more people voting and we have to be thinking about given the times how they're possibly going to vote.

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Randall Ott: Yeah, I know. I don't know if that's

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Randall Ott: I don't know if that's true or not, Pat, it may be, you may very well may very well be right, but there's no indication. I mean, if this school can't just send a

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Randall Ott: a

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Randall Ott: all they have is the address of the parents and the taxpayers. They don't know how many voters live in each at each address. I don't think they can.

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Randall Ott: Just send

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Roxie.OBrien: Send.

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Randall Ott: You know, empty ballots out. I think you're gonna have to, I think people are gonna have to register and take take action.

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Patricia Ayres: There's no time. There's no time

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Roxie.OBrien: they're trying to

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Roxie.OBrien: go through the the newsletters, whoever gets the newsletters. But the thing is, like, my household. There's three voters in my household

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Roxie.OBrien: So they're trying to figure out, and, it's going to cost thousands and thousands of dollars in postage.

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Patricia Ayres: Oh it is absolutely.

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00:20:29.910 --> 00:20:30.600

Randall Ott: The voters are going to have to register.

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00:20:30.870 --> 00:20:36.000

L Schaertl: No Randy, the vote, the executive order removes the requirement for voters to

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L Schaertl: register. The requirement is that the school sends a ballot.

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Randall Ott: Sends a ballot if you're registered, but for an absentee ballot.

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Randall Ott: So,

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Randall Ott: That's what the. Isn't that what the postcards going to tell them

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Roxie.O'Brien: no, they're sending everything. the return address. They have to, they have to according to the executive decision we have to send return addresses.

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Roxie.O'Brien: envelopes with the ballot to everybody in that household that can legally vote.

Pat Ayres: Postage paid.

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Roxie.O'Brien: they really wanted to come in like Walmart and just have

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Roxie.O'Brien: People come in.

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Roxie.O'Brien: With masks on and go to four stations and vote because this is going to cost the school.

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00:21:17.040 --> 00:21:19.110

Roxie.O'Brien: A ton of money

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Randall Ott: well there's people across the street from me, who are rentals.

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Randall Ott: They're not taxpayers.

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Randall Ott: They don't have children in the district, how, how would the school know how to send them.

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Patricia Ayres: A BALLOT. I think it's going to be the taxpayer households.

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Andrea Tillinghast: The board of elections when I talked to him.

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Patricia Ayres: What's that

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00:21:38.700 --> 00:21:43.500

Andrea Tillinghast: When I talked to Tim Burns about our ability to get the wording on to the ballot, if we chose to do so.

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Patricia Ayres: Yeah.

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00:21:44.550 --> 00:21:46.290

Andrea Tillinghast: They were working with the board of elections.

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00:21:46.350 --> 00:21:49.320

Randall Ott: But then that's just people who have

Patricia Ayres: registered to vote

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00:21:50.370 --> 00:21:52.260

Randall Ott: yeah

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00:21:52.950 --> 00:21:54.510

L Schaertl: I

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00:21:55.590 --> 00:21:56.400

Randall Ott: I don't think we know, really.

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00:21:56.520 --> 00:21:59.700

L Schaertl: The school is gonna have to figure out how to do this. The school has been ordered to

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00:22:00.720 --> 00:22:05.940

L Schaertl: get the budget vote out by mail. But, and that they can't require to register to vote. So the school has to figure that out.

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L Schaertl: So the library. We have the option, we have three choices. One is we can go with last year's tax levy

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L Schaertl: And not have a vote.

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L Schaertl: Just operate with let last year's tax levy

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L Schaertl: Two is we can ask for a tax levy increase. And we can ask the school to put our proposal on their ballot that they send out, however they manage to do it, they'll put the library tax levy that we want on on their ballot and our trustees on their ballot and send it out.

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00:22:37.980 --> 00:22:44.910

L Schaertl: The third is, we can do it ourselves. We can do it independently, which I think is a no starter and we just have no idea how we would go through the effort of

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00:22:45.270 --> 00:22:47.400

L Schaertl: Printing ballots and mailing them and getting them out.

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00:22:47.880 --> 00:22:49.290

Randall Ott: no, we couldn't do that.

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00:22:49.290 --> 00:22:49.710

L Schaertl: it's just not possible for us.

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00:22:50.250 --> 00:22:56.310

L Schaertl: So those are our choices. Either way, we do need to put our trustee candidates on the school ballot that they send out

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00:22:56.730 --> 00:22:59.100

Patricia Ayres: Yes, those are our choices.

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00:22:59.190 --> 00:23:02.700

Randall Ott: I just want to make one more point if I may,

L Schaertl: of course

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Randall Ott: So, and our financial report at the end of March at our April meeting we had spent \$190,000 this year.

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Randall Ott: We're asking for if we if we were to approve this

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Randall Ott: We would be working on of income, of you know our income has been 201,000

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Randall Ott: So that's about 5000 more than we expected, but that's that's that's not much

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Randall Ott: For the end of March. That's three months, April, May, June, you know, it is similar situation.

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Randall Ott: I mean,

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Randall Ott: I just don't see that we have much. I mean, it would. I think if we went with this, we're going to have, we will have to go with that severe cut that Andrea is suggesting you know in a contingency, tight budget.

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L Schaertl: I think the question for us is do we asked for a tax levy increase or do we not

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Patricia Ayres: And you can answer.

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L Schaertl: It if we asked and don't get it, then we're in the same boat that we are right now.



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L Schaertl: By not asking

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Roxie.OBrien: Randy, we don't have any like, you know, how we used money last year because we were worried about it. We pulled it out. We don't have anything in there that we could pull some of that out to use.

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Randall Ott: Yeah, there's a little there's some

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Randall Ott: There's maybe 10, \$15,000

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L Schaertl: You can transfer from reserve fund or from

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Randall Ott: Yeah, in the Reserves. Other than capital, you know,

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Roxie.OBrien: we wouldn't do that Unless we really needed to right we could

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Roxie.OBrien: Do that, like,

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Randall Ott: Oh yeah, we could

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Randall Ott: yeah, in an emergency. We could, for sure.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Then thousand. It sounds like a lot, but it's really enough to cover

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One.

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Randall Ott: Covers about almost a month. Yeah, you're right.

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Jessica O: Mm hmm. Wasn't there some of that indicated on that contingency budget that you put together that you are pulling from that.

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Jessica O: Yes, read that.

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Jessica O: Okay.

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Jessica O: So are we are we, I'm sorry. Go ahead.

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Patricia Ayres: I wonder, well, I've been thinking we really have nothing to lose by going with our original budget.

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L Schaertl: The one that we adopted.

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Patricia Ayres: Yes, if it fails. We're still going to get the hundred and 96 200 and whatever it is.

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00:25:25.830 --> 00:25:27.120

Patricia Ayres: Right, right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: We're only risking the public, public perception.

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Patricia Ayres: That's right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: to go out for a vote in this climate.

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L Schaertl: Correct.

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Andrea Tillinghast: cause if it fails. We'll just have to go to contingency plan anyway.

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L Schaertl: Right.

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Patricia Ayres: Right, exactly.

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Andrea Tillinghast: The same amount. The \$196,200

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Patricia Ayres: Yes.

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Kim: So

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Patricia Ayres: And it will it be very interesting to see the result of that vote.

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L Schaertl: Yes, it would.

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Patricia Ayres: Turn out, and who voted against, and who didn't. How many, that kind of thing. Uh,

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Patricia Ayres: I almost wish we could go to mail balloting ALL THE TIME BECAUSE WE WOULD GET MORE VOTERS. I mean, on a good year, we would get 100 people into the library now it's down to 50, 60

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Randall Ott: Yeah. Like, I agree.

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Patricia Ayres: And vote. And so it would be kind of an experiment.

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Patricia Ayres: To change the way we do a vote.

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L Schaertl: A way to get more community involvement in the vote

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Patricia Ayres: Absolutely.

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L Schaertl: Mm hmm.

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Jessica O: Is it too high of a risk to to kind of throw the

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Jessica O: The response of the public out there for that though, whether or not they're going to look badly upon

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Patricia Ayres: Well,

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00:26:43.830 --> 00:26:51.330

Patricia Ayres: The fact that very few people come to our elections now says that

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Jessica O: They don't care.

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Patricia Ayres: Most people don't care.

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Jessica O: Yeah, okay.

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Randall Ott: But a few

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Patricia Ayres: That's why I think it would be a great experiment to see who

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Roxie.OBrien: Is the school budget going higher than anybody I haven't really paid attention to

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Randall Ott: Originally it was going to be about 3% higher, is what I heard.

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Randall Ott: You know a lot of people come out for the school budget vote and it very rarely fails, we have a supportive community. Generally, yes.

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Patricia Ayres: Yes. Now we do

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Kim: Yeah, but what negative

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Kim: What's the word I'm looking for.

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Kim: perception are we going to generate in the public

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00:27:25.500 --> 00:27:34.830

Kim: When people are saying, well, if we can't pay for food for our families and pay the bills. So we had if we are going to go for that proposed budget that we adopted last month.

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Kim: We have to, or what March, then we have to figure out how to market.

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00:27:39.690 --> 00:27:52.980

Kim: You know, in order not to cut programs in order to be here for the community in order to to give back to the community that's so supportive of us, we had to look at the numbers and ask for this to make sure that we can be there for you to

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Kim: You know, keep sanity if when we do open again.

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Jessica O: Which we really

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00:27:59.730 --> 00:28:03.990

Jessica O: Great way to say that, like we had to do this so we can support you.

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Jessica O: Correct.

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Patricia Ayres: Is there any way we can do

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00:28:13.170 --> 00:28:13.710

Patricia Ayres: A new budget

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Patricia Ayres: Kind of like a contingency. You know, it's a 16% increase that we're asking here. That's a huge number.

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Andrea Tillinghast: it is, but when you look at this 16% and figure out what it is in actual dollar amount, it's, it's nothing.

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Randall Ott: It's only a, what is it a two or 3% increase in budget, though.

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Jessica O: Yeah, I think it's a 3%

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Randall Ott: Yeah, something like that in in our budget.

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00:28:44.400 --> 00:28:44.700

Patricia Ayres: Yeah.

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Andrea Tillinghast: We're asking for like 31,000 more dollars than last year. If you take \$31,000 and divided up by the total assessment of the properties in the area, maybe

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00:28:55.890 --> 00:29:08.220

Andrea Tillinghast: I'm saying maybe it's like 60 cents per, per thousand dollars so for a \$100,000 home, you probably have I don't know \$60 in tax, I don't know, I'm just saying averages.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I don't know.

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00:29:09.240 --> 00:29:13.590

Andrea Tillinghast: What all assessed evaluation in the school district is but that's what we're talking about.

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Kim: That would be a good point. I didn't

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Andrea Tillinghast: Make one

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00:29:18.000 --> 00:29:18.390

Jessica O: Mm hmm.

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Andrea Tillinghast: That's exactly the way I would market it.

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L Schaertl: Yes. And, and I are asking for this \$30,000 because increase in tax levy because we're not taking a transfer from our contingency funds, the way we did last year.

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L Schaertl: the budget is basically flat the tax levy is going up because our transfer from reserve funds is not there, like it was last year.

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Randall Ott: And we were responsible last year by using money that we had unexpectedly and not asked for a tax increase.

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Randall Ott: And still be able to offer more services and

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Randall Ott: Know we could have, we thought of it. And then we decide the last minute to not to not, you know, we had the money so

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Kim: And that would be another point I would make to the public to is that in the past we've chosen not to raise

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Kim: Our, you know, ask for more money because we pulled from what we had. But now, unfortunately, we have to ask for more, which is what 60 cents or whatever, it would be, you know, per household, really, in the end, isn't you know it's ice cream money.

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00:30:22.740 --> 00:30:25.080

Andrea Tillinghast: If you have a \$100,000 home.

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Andrea Tillinghast: It may be around \$60 a year so it you know if you had a \$50,000 home about \$60 a year or home property full property.

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Roxie.O'Brien: Right.

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Roxie.O'Brien: And every price is going up for everything you know what I mean so we, it's going to be expected.

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Kim: But I think we need to push the positives, like we've we haven't pulled from a we've pulled from reserves before, which we don't have now.

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Kim: You know, it's only. It's a little bit of chunk of change per household in order to be there to

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Kim: Like I said to keep sanity and to make sure that kids are served and our community is served if we are able to push those positives and make sure that that's out there. And all of those points, I think.

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Kim: We can convince the community that

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Kim: They're, you know, there really was no other option in order to make sure that we're still on the same plane.

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Kim: Going forward,

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Jan Boor: I have a question.

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Jan Boor: On the ballot, would it actually say it was a 16% increase

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L Schaertl: No.

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Jessica O: Okay.

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00:31:30.930 --> 00:31:33.510

Jan Boor: I think if people saw 16%

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, I've never going to say 16%

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00:31:36.390 --> 00:31:36.840

Jan Boor: Yeah.

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00:31:37.080 --> 00:31:42.930

Andrea Tillinghast: When I was here in the past I passed about increase of 21.2%

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Andrea Tillinghast: I never used that number.

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Jan Boor: no that would scare people so

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00:31:47.820 --> 00:31:48.060

Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah.

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00:31:48.420 --> 00:31:52.380

Andrea Tillinghast: You never know. I don't even ever want anyone to get that out to the public.

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Andrea Tillinghast: it was a different climate

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L Schaertl: The, the, the percentages look high when you're dealing with small numbers which we really are we're dealing

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L Schaertl: With small numbers \$220,000 is is relatively speaking a small number.

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Jan Boor: But most people get hung up on the percentage



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Jan Boor: We all look at ya.

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L Schaertl: the ballot would state, a proposal to for a tax levy of either of \$227,890 for the public library. That's all it would say, it wouldn't say anything about increases amounts

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Roxie.OBrien: See, and I think we wouldn't have a problem then.

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Jessica O: Yeah.

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Roxie.OBrien: If that's just put on the ballot. I really don't think we'd have a problem. I mean, they'd have to think of

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Roxie.OBrien: were a place you know

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Randall Ott: there are other resolutions on the ballot for like a bus purchase or something like

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Andrea Tillinghast: That

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Randall Ott: You know it the same amount

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Randall Ott: And even your

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Randall Ott: Years in the past.

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Randall Ott: the school budget failed.

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Randall Ott: The resolutions still pass like for

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00:32:58.290 --> 00:33:01.110

Randall Ott: You know, like, for busses that type of thing.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Right, I get the weekly updates from Charlene and there will be

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00:33:07.830 --> 00:33:11.310

Andrea Tillinghast: Something to do with buses on the ballot this year to as a separate

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L Schaertl: Okay. Any further discussion.

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L Schaertl: That was great. I wanted, I really wanted to have this discussion at a public meeting so that we could talk about the fact that we're really considering

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L Schaertl: The, the state of the economy, the state of the community and the services that we provide the value we provide I really wanted to show that we are carefully evaluating all those things before we asked for any kind of have budget appropriation from the taxpayers.

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L Schaertl: So,

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L Schaertl: if there's no further discussion, I have the motion.

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L Schaertl: To withdraw the budget that we adopted on the march ninth meeting.

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L Schaertl: And instruct the director preparing new 2020-2021 budget with a tax levy of \$196,200 so that motion is to withdraw the budget that we adopted and just go with the levy that we had last year.

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L Schaertl: All in favor.

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L Schaertl: All opposed,

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Randall Ott: nay

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Patricia Ayres: nay

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00:34:18.630 --> 00:34:20.280

Patricia Ayres: Same sign. aye.

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L Schaertl: All opposed, raise your hand so I can see

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Patricia Ayres: Opposed.

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L Schaertl: opposed. Motion fails.

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Okay.

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L Schaertl: So then we move on to the next motion.

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L Schaertl: Would someone else like to do it or you want me to

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Patricia Ayres: You're doing a fine job.

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00:34:41.460 --> 00:34:43.020

Kim: All right, you're doing great, Lisa.

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L Schaertl: I move to request that the Manchester Shortsville School district include the red jacket community library funding proposition of \$227,890

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L Schaertl: As a separate item on the absentee ballot used to administer the school district's budget vote.

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L Schaertl: For the June 9 2020 vote to be conducted by absentee ballot. According to executive order number 202.26

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L Schaertl: And to further request that the Manchester Shortsville school district include the names of the candidates for the red jacket community library board of trustees on this ballot with such names to be provided to the school district by May 8, 2020. So any discussion?

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Randall Ott: What's the May 8 on a Saturday or Sunday.

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L Schaertl: It's Friday. It's the date that the school told us they needed

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Patricia Ayres: Friday this Friday. Right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: That's why we had to meet so quickly.

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Randall Ott: And is that on our website.

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Randall Ott: When candidates would have to submit their position petitions.

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L Schaertl: I'm not sure I can update it in as soon as we're done with this meeting, though.

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Roxie.O'Brien: I did message to the two people that I talked to

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Roxie.O'Brien: And I

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Roxie.O'Brien: told them that I needed a letter of intent and email of intent.

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Roxie.O'Brien: And a little bio so that I could share it with everybody.

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Roxie.O'Brien: So, one of them was going to do it in between painting and then I didn't hear back from the other one. Yeah, I did tell him that

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Roxie.O'Brien: I wasn't sure about if our meeting dates could change, but that he could be put on the ballot, if we

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Roxie.O'Brien: Decided we could do.

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Roxie.O'Brien: That.

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L Schaertl: Thank you .And Randy, just to clarify, there is the requirement for petitions has been waived this year by executive order.

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L Schaertl: There's no requirement for a petition.

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Randall Ott: I thought they had to fill out the petition, but not signatures.

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Roxie.O'Brien: I think they just said a letter.

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Patricia Ayres: I think that was an alternative way to declare it

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L Schaertl: In. I don't think it's been actually declared how it happens. I think that we just need to make sure that the candidates.

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Randall Ott: That we have to know that.

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L Schaertl: Are eligible

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Randall Ott: That they're 18 or older.

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Patricia Ayres: Right, all that they have to be is a resident and 18

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L Schaertl: All are yeah in our

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L Schaertl: I don't even think it's in our bylaws. Our only requirement is that they're qualified voters living in our district.

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Patricia Ayres: That's the only requirement

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L Schaertl: So as long as we've confirmed that they should go on our ballot.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Here's the information from Ron, I'm just I'm putting it in the chat.

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Roxie.O'Brien: Was in his email today I thought I saw something

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L Schaertl: To the point. I don't think they have to fill out the petition form.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: so there's not been an executive order that covers this there's been a lot of suggested ideas.

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Randall Ott: Okay.

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Andrea Tillinghast: According to Ron

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Andrea Tillinghast: It as long as we try to operate with transparency, then

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know, without guidance. We're good.

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Randall Ott: But wouldn't we have to use the same the same process the school is using for school for school trustees right

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Randall Ott: For School Board trustees.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I don't, I'm not sure. All I know is

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Andrea Tillinghast: The information I've gotten from Ron. He was on the phone with Bob Duffy last week.

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Randall Ott: Okay.

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L Schaertl: So I'm going to suggest as long as we have candidates who have expressed an interest in writing, by email, and who that we have verified are qualified voters living in our district that we should put them on the ballot.

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Patricia Ayres: And ballot should have a line for write-in

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L Schaertl: Yes, the ballot should have a line for write-in candidate for trustee.

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Randall Ott: Oh, so it'll be for two open seats.

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Randall Ott: Correct. And if there's one or two candidates or three or four candidates, people can vote for up to two correct?

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Patricia Ayres: Up to two. Yep.

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Randall Ott: So like if there's one candidate they can vote for that candidate and a write in

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Patricia Ayres: Yeah.

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Randall Ott: And if there's two candidates, they can vote for either one or both.

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Patricia Ayres: Right, exactly.

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Patricia Ayres: Yeah.

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Patricia Ayres: Right, okay.

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L Schaertl: And we need to get the school our candidate names by May 8, according to their request.

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Roxie.OBrien: Okay.

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L Schaertl: Um, would anyone like, is there any further discussion on that.

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L Schaertl: Would anybody like me to reread the

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Patricia Ayres: I just lost you all

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L Schaertl: We have you

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Andrea Tillinghast: I want say how grateful I am to the school.

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Andrea Tillinghast: For making this easy for us.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Absolutely. Really, I bet you other school districts would try to charge. Some of the fee for the postage and the voting.

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Andrea Tillinghast: they didn't ask for anything like that

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Randall Ott: Is there a way if they need extra help for

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Randall Ott: Example, putting packets together or mailing

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Randall Ott: Could, is it possible. I mean, they would have to obviously use whatever practices are in place now in terms of safe distancing but could we volunteer our full time staff to help with that process or when ballots.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Sure.

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Randall Ott: If they're willing to accept that, or is that not a place you'd want to go.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Um, you know, when I convey our decision to Tim and Charlene, then I can see, you know, do they need anything. And then I can certainly do it. I would only ask the staff to do it right now on a voluntary basis, just because we're technically closed and I'm

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Andrea Tillinghast: Very defined what they can and cannot do right now. If

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Andrea Tillinghast: If they were to do those things like deliver books to homes or work with an organization, and it's not on the defined list. I'm personally liable for asking them to do it.



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Andrea Tillinghast: we had a good discussion of this it at PLS.

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Randall Ott: That makes sense.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Because

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Roxie.OBrien: Kim Brown told me today that she's going to recruit me to help her stuff envelopes .

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Randall Ott: And, you know, maybe, maybe trustees could volunteer as well.

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Roxie.OBrien: Yeah, I'll see you guys stressed right out.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I think we've got staff that would volunteer, but I have some doubt.

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L Schaertl: So we have a motion on the floor. I'll read it again if anybody needs me to read it again, but it's in your on your agenda.

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L Schaertl: Any further discussion

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Patricia Ayres: I call the question let's vote.

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L Schaertl: All right. All in favor.

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Roxie.OBrien: Aye. Aye.

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L Schaertl: Aye. Opposed.

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L Schaertl: The motion carries unanimously, thank you everybody.

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L Schaertl: The

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L Schaertl: question as to whether we have to post notice of the vote before May 13 is also unclear, but we might as well. Right.

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Randall Ott: Yeah, I read read that and it said that we need to re-notice that's the word in the so I'm guessing that we if re-notice means to place a legal ad

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Randall Ott: You know, if I guessing some libraries could have already noticed for that was

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Andrea Tillinghast: This is the guidance that we got from Ron. The wording is supposing that you already advertised

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Andrea Tillinghast: Your legal notice and that you had to somehow

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Andrea Tillinghast: Withdraw or amend it. But that's not our situation gratefully.

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Randall Ott: Okay. So since we didn't notice. We don't have to re-Notice that would be included the resolution because we're a supplement to the school vote we would be included in their Notice

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Andrea Tillinghast: I was

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Andrea Tillinghast: Not sure.

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L Schaertl: I think we need to do our own

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L Schaertl: I think it might be included. But I think it's

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, we could do our own legal, the way we do.

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Patricia Ayres: And then we're covered. Yep.

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L Schaertl: I think we can't go wrong by doing it.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Right.

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Andrea Tillinghast: We always done it that way but

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Patricia Ayres: Right

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L Schaertl: Andrea, do you take care of that.

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Andrea Tillinghast: The legal notices. Yeah. As soon as we make our decision then I'll be able to email the messenger and the Finger Lakes times they'll get back to me with the wording and I'll just have to approve it. Yes.

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Randall Ott: and there something

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Randall Ott: Hopefully it Won't be too much of a delay with their offices and strange hours

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Andrea Tillinghast: They got so

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L Schaertl: We have a decision. So you can go

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L Schaertl: Ahead and announce that

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Jessica O: Okay.

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Patricia Ayres: Yes. And it wouldn't hurt to put something in the merchandiser. A lot of people read that doesn't have to

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Andrea Tillinghast: Legal. No, I get it.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I get an email from the merchandise are saying they are not printing anymore.

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Patricia Ayres: Oh really,

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Andrea Tillinghast: They're not printing and they're Discontinuing their online.

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Patricia Ayres: Oh. well.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Does anyone else. Yeah, maybe that because just business.

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Roxie.OBrien: The Pennysaver. Yeah, that's what I got this week.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Almost at the beginning of the pandemic with the closures, I got this notice from the merchandiser and then I got a follow up notice, they're not going to do online.

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Kim: Well,

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Andrea Tillinghast: So our advertising budget.

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L Schaertl: That's terrible. for further publicity, though, just to kind of push out what we've already talked about the benefit in the value

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L Schaertl: This year we are getting our annual report to the Community done, it can I can get it done next week in electronic copy. So it can be available on the website. I don't know if we want to try to get printed copies out to the public or not, probably just on the website.

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L Schaertl: We'll be able to post that on the website. Do we, do we need to have a budget hearing

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Andrea Tillinghast: Public Information session.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah. Well, we can certainly Schedule one, and I'll post it to zoom, a week before the data, the vote, which I think would be June 9

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Andrea Tillinghast: For all schools so it must be June 2 is the week before seven, eight or something. Or we could do the Monday.

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L Schaertl: And we have a regular meeting before then, so that we can cover that in our next regular meeting.

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah, and if no one comes then all that would happen was we just sit there and wait

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Andrea Tillinghast: Yeah 40 minutes, whatever.

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Randall Ott: Put an end time on the meeting.

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Patricia Ayres: Yes, yes.

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Patricia Ayres: Half An hour

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L Schaertl: So we'll definitely have a public information meeting about budget. You never know with ballots being mailed to the homes, there may be more. More questions from the public about our budget.

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Andrea Tillinghast: You know about 50% of the census has been responded to. I bring this up because they weren't expecting you to be so high right now they estimated that response would be lower. But I think people are at home, and they're doing things they wouldn't normally take the time to do

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Andrea Tillinghast: Like a library budget or maybe go to a public information session just because just because

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Jessica O: Yeah, just to get out the house.

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L Schaertl: Virtually

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Patricia Ayres: Virtually virtually. Yeah, right.

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L Schaertl: Good. Well, I think that we've accomplished what we needed to accomplish today we discussed. We have a motion to

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L Schaertl: Include our vote on the school ballot and to get our trustee names to them by May 8.

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L Schaertl: So,

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Andrea Tillinghast: Thanks for Roxie you'll email me the names

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Roxie.OBrien: Yes.

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Roxie.OBrien: I just

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Roxie.OBrien: The one just text me back and said she'll get it back to me tomorrow morning.

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Roxie.OBrien: And I'll email the other one.

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Andrea Tillinghast: I can let

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Andrea Tillinghast: Tim and Charlene know ASAP.

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Roxie.OBrien: Yeah, because we can't put them on without their letter of intent, right.

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Roxie.OBrien: Right.

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Randall Ott: So Dustine, you're pretty sure is interested in

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Roxie.OBrien: Se's the one that's going to email me first thing in the morning.

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Roxie.OBrien: And she works at paychex. So that could be a help to you might want her to take over my spot on the Finance Committee.

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Roxie.O'Brien: And the other one, Jacob. As I said, I emailed him this morning and I explained to him that

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Roxie.O'Brien: You know, just to get me a letter of interest and his bio so that I could share it with everybody. And I just, I couldn't guarantee anything about the meeting changes which he has the Farm Bureau association that he is on the board of

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Roxie.O'Brien: Trustees for that and they didn't. They weren't gonna change their time. So I told him I wasn't sure if not maybe some later date down the road. He could I was sad because I think young blood, you know,

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Randall Ott: Well, we, we might still, I just a little hesitant, right now.

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Roxie.O'Brien: Well, I agree.

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Roxie.O'Brien: we just changed that.

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Roxie.O'Brien: So,

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Roxie.O'Brien: I didn't give them any yays or nays about changing it again.

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Roxie.O'Brien: Okay.

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L Schaertl: Well with that I'm going to adjourn the meeting. Thank you everybody for coming out and I'll talk to you.

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L Schaertl: At our regular meeting.

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Patricia Ayres: Meeting. Yes.

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Jessica O: Thanks. Take care, guys.

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Good night.