

1) Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Jackson in the School Library.

Present: Laura Jackson, President
Helen Roberts, Vice – President
James MacFadden
Dorothy Harding
Patterson Green, Superintendent/Principal
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: Kevin Kutzscher

Others Attending: John Walker, Joanna Sydow, Sally Lauzon, Caroline Bade, Barbara Handy, Mike Manko, Holly Blacker, Patsy Nicosia...

2) 72-Hour Waiver

A **motion** to waive the 72 hour notice to change the agenda, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 4:0.

3) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, October 20, 2014 regular meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. A **motion** to approve the minutes as presented, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 4:0.

4) Reports

A) Business Manager/District Clerk

1. The internal claims auditor’s report was reviewed. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor’s report dated November 17, 2014.
2. The Board reviewed the September 2014 Treasurer’s Report.
3. The Board reviewed the October 2014 Extra-Curricular Treasurer’s Report.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer # 3, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 4:0.
5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants #20, 21 and 22, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 4:0.
6. The comprehensive budget was reviewed.

- 7. The Board reviewed the 2014 – 2015 Tax Collection Report.
- 8. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to pass the following PILOT agreement with Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., made by Helen Roberts and seconded by Dorothy Harding, was carried unanimously 4:0:

**SHARON SPRINGS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
PILOT AMENDMENT APPROVAL RESOLUTION
WAL-MART STORES, INC. PROJECT – AMENDED PILOT AGREEMENT**

RESOLUTION APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A CERTAIN AMENDED PILOT AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO BETWEEN SCHOHARIE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY AND WAL-MART STORES, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE WAL-MART STORES, INC. PROJECT.

WHEREAS, on July 27, 1994, the Agency executed and delivered a lease agreement dated as of July 15, 1994 (the "Lease Agreement") with Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (the "Company") for the purpose of undertaking the following project (the "Project") consisting of the following: (A) (1) the acquisition of an interest in a parcel of land containing approximately 217 acres located at 721 Highway Route 20 (currently tax ID # 5.19-1-1) in the Town of Sharon, Village of Sharon Springs, Schoharie County, New York (the "Land"), (2) the construction on the Land of a single story building initially to contain approximately 1.42 million square feet of space (the "Facility"); and (3) the acquisition and installation therein and thereon of certain machinery and equipment (the "Equipment") (the Land, the Facility and the Equipment hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Project Facility"), all of the foregoing to be utilized by the Company as a warehouse/distribution center; (B) the granting of certain "financial assistance" (within the meaning of Section 854(14) of the Act) with respect to the foregoing, including potential exemptions from certain sales and use taxes, real property taxes, real estate transfer taxes and mortgage recording taxes (collectively, the "Financial Assistance"); and (C) the lease (with an obligation to purchase) or sale of the Project Facility to the Company or such other person as may be designated by the Company and agreed upon by the Agency; and

WHEREAS, in connection with the undertaking of the Project, the Agency and the Company entered into a payment in lieu of tax agreement dated as of July 15, 1994 (the "PILOT Agreement") pursuant to which the Company agreed to make certain payments in lieu of tax payments. The PILOT Agreement is scheduled to terminate on May 31, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition, construction and installation of the Project is complete; and

WHEREAS, Schoharie County, the Town of Sharon, the Village of Sharon Springs and the Sharon Springs Central School District have reached out to the Company to provide for the following: (A) amendments to the payment provisions of the PILOT Agreement, and (B) an extension to the term of the PILOT Agreement (collectively, the "PILOT Amendments"); and

WHEREAS, in order to implement the PILOT Amendments, the Company will execute and deliver a certain first amended and restated payment in lieu of tax agreement (the “Amended PILOT Agreement”) by and between the Agency and the Company pursuant to which the Company will agree to pay certain payments in lieu of taxes with respect to the Project Facility, as modified to provide for the PILOT Amendments; and

WHEREAS, under the Agency’s Uniform Tax Exemption Policy (the “Policy”), the consents of Schoharie County, the Town of Sharon, the Village of Sharon Springs and the Sharon Springs Central School District, as the affected tax jurisdictions with respect to the Project Facility, are required before the Agency can consider approving the terms of the PILOT Amendments and the Amended PILOT Agreement;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District (the “School District”) as follows:

Section 1. The Board of Education of the School District hereby (A) requests the Agency to execute and deliver the Amended PILOT Agreement, (B) approves the terms and conditions of the PILOT Amendments and the Amended PILOT Agreement, including but not limited, to the payment terms as described in Schedule A attached, (C) approves the allocation of the PILOT payments as described in Schedule A attached, and (D) waives the receipt of any notice from the Agency provided for under New York State law and the Agency’s Uniform Tax Exemption Policy with respect to any deviation by the Agency from its Uniform Tax Exemption Policy with respect to the Amended PILOT Agreement.

Section 2. The President of the Board of Education is hereby authorized, on behalf of the School District, to execute and deliver the Amended PILOT Agreement, said Amended PILOT Agreement to contain the payment terms presented at this meeting with such changes, variations, omissions and insertions as the President of the Board of Education shall approve, the execution thereof by the President of the Board of Education to constitute conclusive evidence of such approval.

Section 3. The officers, employees and agents of the School District are hereby authorized and directed for and in the name and on behalf of the School District to do all acts and things required or provided for by the applicable provisions of this Resolution in order to ensure compliance with such provisions as they relate to the execution and delivery of the Amended PILOT Agreement, and to execute and deliver all such additional certificates, instruments and documents, and to do all such further acts and things as may be necessary or, in the opinion of the officer, employee or agent acting, desirable and proper to effect the purposes of the foregoing resolution.

Section 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

SCHEDULE A

PAYMENT AND ALLOCATION TERMS

Year	Total Payment	County Portion (20%)	Town Portion (20%)	Village Portion (20%)	School District Portion (40%)
1	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
2	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
3	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
4	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
5	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
6	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
7	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
8	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
9	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000
10	\$975,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$195,000	\$390,000

9. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to deny the STAR Refund Request of Shelia Hay-Gillespie, made by Helen Robert and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 4:0.

B) Superintendent/Principal

The Superintendent/Principal's Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

Tammy Behr and Mr. Green presented an overview of the sports program and discussed the possibility of leaving the Western Athletic League. Thoughts and suggestions were expressed by those in attendance.

PERSONNEL:

1. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Kenneth Kennedy as a substitute custodian, aide, assistant/teacher, made by Dorothy Harding and seconded by Helen Roberts, was carried unanimously 4:0. Substitute custodians, aides and assistants are paid \$8.00 per hour. Non-certified substitute teachers are paid at the per diem rate of \$70 per day.
2. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to acknowledge, with regret and thanks for 22 ½ years of service, the retirement of Donald Harding effective January 1, 2015, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by James MacFadden, was carried unanimously 4:0.

C) CSE

No CSE Student Recommendations were presented.

5) Privilege of the Floor

Barb Handy complimented Ms. Behr on her sports presentation.

6) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

7) Unfinished Business

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to direct the athletic director to pursue a change for Sharon Springs Central School from the Western Athletic Conference to Section IV of the Tri-Valley League, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 4:0.

8) New Business

- A. The Board reviewed the following board policies:
 - 1. 7.14 Equal Educational Opportunity
 - 2. 7.14.1 Grade 8 Acceleration

- B. The Board completed the second reading of the following board policy:
 - 12.7 Advertising in the School

- C. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the following 2014 – 2015 Out of District Student Requests, made by James MacFadden and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 4:0:
 - 1. Morgan Daignault – Grade 11
 - 2. Madison Daignault – Grade 7

9) Other

Mrs. Roberts presented an overview of the NYSBBA Convention in New York City.

10) Executive Session

A **motion** to enter into executive session at 8:18 PM to discuss personnel and contractual issues, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by James MacFadden, was carried unanimously 4:0.

The Board returned to regular session at 8:37 PM.

11) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:38 PM, made by Helen Roberts and seconded by James MacFadden, was carried unanimously 4:0.

Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk

