

1) Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education was called to order in the school library at 7:35 PM by Board Trustee, Laura Jackson.

Present: Laura Jackson
Christine Cornwell
Sofia Issa
Thomas Yorke, Principal/Superintendent
Anthony DiPace, Business Manager

Absent: None

Excused: James MacFadden, President
Helen Roberts, Vice-President

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Others Attending: Barb Handy...

2) Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Monday, January 24, 2022 Regular Meeting were previously distributed to the Board for their review. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the minutes as presented, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

3) Reports

A.) Business Manager/District Clerk

The Business Manager's Report was previously submitted to the Board for their review.

1. The internal claims auditor's report was presented. The Board accepted the internal claims auditor's report dated February 21, 2022.
2. The Board reviewed the November and December 2021 Treasurer's Reports.
3. The Board reviewed the January 2022 Extra-Curricular Treasurer's Report.
4. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Budget Transfer # 6, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0.
5. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve Warrants #33, 36, and HL# 5, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0.
6. The Appropriation Status Report were reviewed.
7. SOLAR (PILOT) RESOLUTIONS

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to pass the following SOLAR (PILOT) Resolution, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

Ayes: L. Jackson, C. Cornwell, S. Issa Nays: 0 Absent: J. MacFadden, H. Roberts

WHEREAS, the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education has received copies of the following resolutions from the Town of Sharon (attached):

- Resolution # 11-2022- Town of Sharon Industrial Wind Energy Project Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)- adopted February 2, 2022; and
- Resolution # 10-2022- Town of Sharon Renewable /Industrial Wind Energy Project Pre-Application and PILOT Agreement Fee Schedule (amendment to Town of Sharon Resolution # 7-2020)- adopted February 2, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education has received copies of the following resolutions from the Schoharie County (attached):

- Resolution # 33- Schoharie County Industrial Wind Energy Project Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT)- adopted January 20, 2022; and
- Resolution # 32- Schoharie County Renewable/Industrial Wind Energy Project Pre-Application and PILOT Agreement Fee Schedule- adopted January 20, 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education has adopted the following “Opt-Out” resolution:

Pursuant to the provisions of New York Real Property Tax Law Sections 487(8)(a), the Board of Education of the Sharon Springs Central School District hereby resolves that no exemption under Section 487 of the New York Real Property Tax Law shall be applicable within the jurisdiction of the School District with respect to any solar or wind energy system or farm waste energy system or any other renewable energy system which began construction subsequent to the effective date of this Resolution, pursuant to the provisions of New York Real Property Tax Law Sections 487(8)(a), and the Board of Education further resolves pursuant to the provisions of New York Real Property Tax Law Sections 487(8)(a) that no exemption under Section 487 of the New York Real Property Tax Law shall be applicable within the jurisdiction of the School District with respect to any micro-hydroelectric energy system, fuel cell electric generating system, micro-combined heat and power generating equipment system, electric energy storage equipment or electric energy storage system, or fuel-flexible linear generator electric generating system or any other renewable energy system constructed subsequent to the effective date of this Resolution. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the Board of Education, and

WHEREAS, the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education and Administration has worked closely with the Town of Sharon Springs, Schoharie County and the Schoharie County Industrial Development Association establishing minimum equitable Payment in Lieu of Tax agreements for Industrial Solar and Wind Energy Projects, and

RESOLVED, the Sharon Springs Central School Board of Education supports and approves the parameters set for a standard minimum PILOT agreement; pre-application fee schedule; and all other permit fees established by the Town of Sharon Springs and Schoharie County, safeguarding the interests of the taxpayers and residents of the Sharon Springs Central School District, Town of Sharon, and Schoharie County.

B) Superintendent/Principal

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

PRESENTATION – None

PERSONNEL

- Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to accept the resignation of Yvonne VanPatten as a PT 1-1 Temporary Aide for Pre-K/Headstart effective February 18, 2022, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Katerina Bartlett as Confidential Managerial Secretary to the Superintendent/Business Manager, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0. The starting salary for this position will be \$31,200/year, 12 months with benefits as per the confidential managerial contract. Hours for this position will be 8 am – 4:30 pm.

- Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the provisional appointment of Ashley Puding as Office Keyboard Worker effective February 28, 2022, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0. The starting salary for this position will be \$35,000/year, 10 months with benefits as per the NTO Contract. Hours for this position will be 8:00 am – 4:30 pm. Ten days of summer hours will be allowed at the rate of \$25.00/hour. This appointment is dependent upon successful completion of the civil service exam for Office Keyboard Worker.
- Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Laurie Fogel as a FTE Teacher Aide effective February 28, 2022, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0. Starting salary for this position will \$14.21/hour with a 6.5 hour day. This position is conditional upon NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

- Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the appointment of Thomas Islip as an After School Program Student worker effective February 3, 2022, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0. Starting salary for this position will \$13.20/hour.

C.) CSE - NONE

4) Privilege of the Floor

Barb Handy – Barb had questions regarding changes to the COVID 19 mask mandates and remote learning. In addition, the Board congratulated Mrs. Handy on the success of the FBLA students in the District Competition.

5) Correspondence

All correspondence was previously distributed to the Board of Education.

6) Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was presented or discussed.

7) New Business

a. The Board completed a review of the following policies:

1. 8.5 Procurement of Goods and Services
2. 8.6 Cooperative Purchasing

b. Mr. Yorke presented the amended COVID-19 Mitigation Plan. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2021 – 2022, Amended COVID – 19 Mitigation Plan made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

c. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2021 – 2022, Spring Sports Merger with Cherry-Valley-Springfield CSD made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

d. Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to approve the 2021 – 2022 Out of District Student Request for the following student, made by Sofia Issa and seconded by Christine Cornwell, was carried unanimously 3:0:

DeShawn Barber – Grade 8

8) Other Business

No other business was presented or discussed.

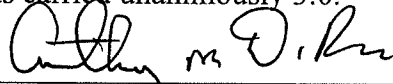
9) Executive Session

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent, a **motion** to enter into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel issues at 8:01 PM, made by Laura Jackson and seconded by Sofia Issa, was carried unanimously 3:0.

The Board exited executive session at 8:10 PM.

10) Adjournment

A **motion** to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 PM, made by Christine Cornwell and seconded by Laura Jackson, was carried unanimously 3:0.



Anthony M. DiPace
District Clerk