

## Board Proceedings

The Board of Directors for the New Hampton Community School District met in special session, Tuesday, July 8, 2014 in the High School Cafeteria. President Rasmussen called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm with directors Denner, Baltes, Ewert, Rosonke, Superintendent Jurrens, and Board Secretary Ayers present.

Director Ewert moved to approve the agenda as posted. Director Baltes seconded the motion. Ayes: Rosonke, Denner, Baltes, Ewert, and Rasmussen. Nays: none.

Superintendent Jurrens presented information on the upcoming bond resolution and a financial update on the cost of the new building. The Superintendent informed the board, the bond resolution will require two questions, and it would require a super majority (60%) to pass. The District will be using debt service fund and the one cent sales tax fund to finance the project. The sales tax fund revenues are about \$854,000 per year. The District currently has committed \$231,000 per year for previous projects. The District will reserve \$200,000 of sales tax for ongoing expenses.

The building project is estimated to be \$29,000,000. GO (general obligation) Bonds of \$4.05 and use of sales tax could raise \$27,000,000. If valuations would increase by 3% the GO Bond would raise an additional \$2,032,000. If valuations remain stagnant the District could sell revenue bonds for \$4, 000,000 to fund the project. If bids come in over \$29,000,000 the District would need to find ways to reduce the cost of the project. If everything would go as planned, the District's goal would be to reduce the GO Bond levy from \$4.05 to \$3.25 through the use of sales tax.

The next step in the process will be to finalize the petition language and acquire the signatures of 25% of the voters that voted in the last school election. The petition has to be to the county auditor by July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2014 to meet the statutory regulation for calling a school election.

It moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:30 pm. Motion passed unanimously.