

**Board of Education
Independent School District No. 423
December 14, 2009**

Chairperson Keith Kamrath called to order a regular meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 423, Hutchinson, MN, at 5:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers at City Center.

Members Present: Julie Ashbaugh; Tim Kerkvliet; Keith Kamrath; Brian Pollmann; Mike McGraw; Jim Waldron; and Daron VanderHeiden, Superintendent of Schools. Also present was Donna Luhring, Director of Business & Finance.

Members Absent: None

Chairman Kamrath invited members of the audience to address the board regarding items on the agenda. The following employees expressed support for their unions, and encouraged the board to move forward on finalizing contract negotiations: Peter Hoeger; Tinea Graham; Cindy Maiers; Judy Hoeft; JoEllen Kimball; Jeff Fain; Krista Picha; Scott Renning and Brian Beffert.

Moved by Mike McGraw and seconded by Tim Kerkvliet with all members present voting aye, the remaining consent agenda was approved as follows:

- Approved the minutes of the November 9, November 23, and December 9, meetings.
- Ratified November 23 and December 8 claims.
- Accepted the following resignations: **Sarah Harbarth**, SPED Educational Assistant at Park Elementary; **Karen Lewis**, Secretary at Crow River Area Learning Center (evening program); Molly Taber, Science Teacher at HS.
- Authorized the following employment: **Alex Brown** - HS Science Teacher; **Amanda Pollock** - Secretary at CRALC; **Kristina Vorlicek** - Administrative Assistant at CO; **Shawn Wacker** - MS Boys' Basketball Coach; **Scott Daak** - MS Girls' Basketball Coach.
- Approved a child care leave of absence for: **Tonya Jenkins**, West Kindergarten Teacher; **Lara Liepold**, MS Music Teacher; **Caroline Paulson**, Speech Language Pathologist; **Melissa Wilson**, ECSE Teacher.

Paul Harvego, representing the audit firm of Conway, Deuth & Schmieging presented an overview of the district's FY 09 audit. Moved by Mike McGraw and seconded by Brian Pollmann with all members present voting aye the board adopted the FY09 audit as presented.

Cindy Wendorff, ECFE Coordinator, and parents Annie Hahn and Shannon Visser, addressed the benefits of the ECFE program for young children and their families, and the subsequent value of the program for the community at large.

Teachers Ruth Hamlow (literacy) and Cory Rude (math) representing the district-wide math and literacy leadership teams, presented a monthly update on the progress of this initiative.

Superintendent VanderHeiden and student board member Connor Ulrich presented district and student highlights.

The Truth in Taxation public hearing was held at 6:30 pm. Director of Business & Finance, Donna Luhring, presented an overview of the school taxing structure, school district budget, and payable 2010 levy information. Chairman Kamrath invited comments from the audience. None were expressed. Moved by Mike McGraw, Seconded by Brian Pollmann, with all members present voting aye the board adopted the 2009 payable 2010 levy in the amount of \$4,852,077.57.

Moved by Julie Ashbaugh, seconded by Brian Pollmann, with all members present voting aye the board adopted a resolution establishing a permanent city-school-community advisory committee.

In response to a frequently asked question: Why is participation in extracurricular activities important to a student's education? Chairman Kamrath discussed the character development opportunities promoted through participation in activities. Additional benefits included: the ability to build relationships through teamwork as well as with teachers and coaches; improved academic performance; fewer behavior problems; and learned skills that students will use throughout their lifetime.

Move by Jim Waldron, seconded by Tim Kerkvliet, with all members present voting aye the board adopted the 2009 payable 2010 levy in the amount of \$4,852,077.57.

The annual reorganization meeting is set for Monday, January 11, 2010 at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers at City Center and the next regular board meeting will follow immediately after the reorganization meeting.

Chairman Kamrath closed the meeting at 6:55 p.m. to perform the Superintendent's semi-annual performance evaluation (per M.S. 13D.05, Subd. 3).

Media Com Agreements

Mediacom's agreements with programmers and broadcasters to carry their channels routinely expire. We are usually able to obtain renewals or extensions of such agreements, but in order to comply with applicable regulations we must inform you when an agreement is about to expire. The following agreements are scheduled to expire on December 31, 2009, and we may be required to cease carriage of one or more of these channels if acceptable and fair terms cannot be reached.

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Nick Jr., Teen Nick, Nicktoons, MTV Hits, VH1 Classic, and VH1 Soul.

Broadcasting Stations:
KGAN, KFXA, WICS, WICD, KDSM, WDKY, WMSN, WEAR, WZV, KBSI, WYZZ, KDNL, WTV, WDBB, ETV, WGGV, WUCW, WFGX, WNAB, WUXP, WTV, and WDKA

**HASSAN VALLEY TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF FILING**

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Hassan Valley Township, County of McLeod, State of Minnesota, that those who desire to be a candidate for Township Office to be voted upon at the annual meeting on **Tuesday, March 9, 2010**.

An affidavit of candidacy must be filed with the Township Clerk at 1545 Adams St between the dates of December 29, 2009 and January 12, 2010 by 5:00 p.m. And paying a filing fee of two dollars (\$2.00).

Offices subject to election are:

- One (1) Supervisor for a three (3) year term.
- One (1) Supervisor for a one (1) year term and the Clerk for a two (2) year term.

Dated, December 11, 2009
Robert Anderson
Hassan Valley Township Clerk

**HUTCHINSON TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF FILING**

Notice is hereby given to the qualified voters of Hutchinson Township, County of McLeod, State of Minnesota, that those who desire to be a candidate for Township Office to be voted upon at the annual meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 2010.

The Affidavit of Candidacy must be filed with the Township Clerk at 23397 County Road 7, between the dates of December 29, 2009 and January 12, 2010 by 5:00 p.m. And paying a filing fee of two dollars (\$2.00).

Offices subject to election are:

- One (1) Supervisor for a three (3) year term.
- One (1) Clerk for a two (2) year term.

Dated: December 16, 2009
John Gregor
Hutchinson Township Clerk

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF MCLEOD
DISTRICT COURT
PROBATE DIVISION
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. 43-PR-09-1852
NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS.**

In Re: Richard P. Blade, DECEDENT

Notice is given that an application for informal appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar. The Registrar accepted the application and appointed **Elanie E. Blade, whose address is 1065 Jorgenson St., Hutchinson, Minnesota 55350**, to serve as the personal representative of the decedent's estate.

Any heir or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date of hearing on the objection.

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the personal representative has the full power to administer the estate, including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters of general administration, the power to sell, encumber, lease or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the decedent.

Notice is also given that (subject to Minn. §524.3-801) all creditors having claims against the Estate are required to present the claims to the personal representative or to the Court Administrator within four (4) months after the date of this Notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: November 19, 2009

Karen Messner
Registrar
Amy Hahn
Court Administrator, Deputy

Attorney For Personal Representative
Markus C. Yira
Yira Law Offices
102 Main St S.
Suite 201, Box 158
Hutchinson, MN 55350

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
COUNTY OF MCLEOD**

**DISTRICT COURT
FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT
Court File No. PR-09-2158
IN RE: ESTATE OF
Gerhard J. Duesterhoeft
DECEDENT**

NOTICE OF INFORMAL PROBATE OF WILL AND INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE AND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is given that an Application for Informal Probate of Will and Informal Appointment of Personal Representative was filed with the Registrar, along with a Will dated September 28, 2005. The Registrar accepted the application and appointed Dean E. Duesterhoeft Personal Representative, whose address is 24629 York Road, Hutchinson, MN 55350, to serve as the personal representative of the decedent's estate.

Any heir, devisee or other interested person may be entitled to appointment as personal representative or may object to the appointment of the personal representative. Any objection to the appointment of the personal representative must be filed with the Court, and any properly filed objection will be heard by the Court after notice is provided to interested persons of the date of hearing on the objection.

Unless objections are filed, and unless the Court orders otherwise, the person-

al representative has the power to administer the estate, including, after thirty (30) days from the issuance of letters testamentary, the power to sell, encumber, lease, or distribute any interest in real estate owned by the decedent.

Notice is further given that, subject to Minn. Stat. § 524.3-801, all creditors having claims against the decedent's estate are required to present claims to the personal representative or to the Court within four (4) months after the date of this notice or the claims will be barred.

Dated: December 8, 2009
Amy Hahn
Registrar, Deputy

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PUBLICATION NO. 7783

**NOTICE OF HEARING ON
IMPROVEMENT
LETTING NO. 1
PROJECT NO. 10-01**

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of Hutchinson, Minnesota, will meet in the Council Chambers of the Hutchinson City Center, 111 Hassan Street SE, Hutchinson, MN, at 6:00 pm on the 12th day of January, 2010, to consider the making of an improvement of Letting No. 1/Project No. 10-01, an improvement of:

Adams St (CSAH 25) & Washington Ave Reconstruction Project by new roadway construction and utility infrastructure installations including construction of trunk and lateral storm sewer and treatment/drainage improvements, trunk and lateral sanitary sewer and services, trunk and lateral watermain and services, grading, aggregate base, concrete curb and gutter, trail/sidewalk, concrete surfacing, lighting, landscaping, streetscaping, restoration and appurtenances; and

pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, Sections 429.011 to 429.111. The area proposed to be assessed for such improvement is the benefited property, for which property owners shall receive mailed notice.

The estimated City Cost of said improvement is \$1,528,000, with an Assessable Cost of \$400,000 and an estimated \$7,000,000 in MN/DOT Highway Turnback Funds, for the total estimated cost of \$8,928,000. A reasonable estimate of the impact of the assessment will be available at the hearing. Such persons as desire to be heard with reference to the proposed improvement will be heard at this meeting.

Dated: 12/08/2009
Gary Plotz,
City Administrator

PLEASE NOTE: IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU ATTEND THIS HEARING, WHETHER YOU ARE FOR OR AGAINST THE PROJECT, IN ORDER THAT YOUR COUNCIL CAN BE BETTER INFORMED OF A TRUE REPRESENTATION OF OPINION.

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