

ONTEORA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
BOICEVILLE, NEW YORK 12412**

MINUTES

**WORKSHOP MEETING
Thursday, August 10, 2006
Middle-High School
7:00 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER Trustee D'Orazio called **REGULAR MEETING** to order at approximately 7:06 p.m.

TOBACCO POLICY STATEMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee D'Orazio asked for a moment of silence to remember Onteora community members Ellin Robbins and Tom Rosato's mother, both of whom recently passed away.

PRESENT Trustees D'Orazio, Bernholz, Patterson, O'Connor, Vanacore, Resnick,

NOT PRESENT Trustee Rosenfeld

ALSO PRESENT Interim Superintendent, John G. Jordan; Assistant Superintendent for Business, Victoria McLaren; District Clerk, Jeanne Shultis; and approximately 50 visitors.

NOT ALSO PRESENT Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox, and Interim Student Board Representative, Frances Barlow

REPORTS/ PRESENTATIONS

- Large Parcel Legislation – Victoria McLaren and William Thornton *Dorothy Martin from Ulster County Real Property Tax Services was also present to provide information and answer questions.*

A comparative chart of tax rate information showing the differences that would result from implementing the Large Parcel Legislation or not implementing it was presented and discussed.

- Tax Certiorari – School Attorney
This presentation was canceled.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The following people spoke in opposition to the implementation of the Large Parcel Legislation:

- Craig Graizer, Town of Olive resident
- Berndt Leifeld, Town of Olive Supervisor, who also encouraged the Board to do nothing regarding this issue
- Bruce LaMonda, Town of Olive Councilman, who also encouraged the Board to do nothing regarding this issue
- John Hurd, Town of Hurley resident, who also suggested a fourth option for the District to set itself up as its own taxing authority
- John Tisch, Town of Olive resident
- Henrietta Wise, Town of Olive resident

- David Norton, Town of Olive resident
- Glenn T. Anderson, Town of Olive resident
- Byron Utley, Town of Olive resident
- Art Kuhne Town of Olive resident
- Kathleen Ruiz, Town of Olive resident

The following people spoke in favor of the implementation of the Large Parcel Legislation:

- Robert Cross, Town of Shandaken Supervisor, who also supported investigation into John Hurd's suggestion

**BOARD MEMBERS
REQUEST FOR
INFORMATION**

Trustee Bernholz requested that Victoria McLaren provide a chart for illustration purposes using the actual equalization rates, not the reduced ones.

**MOTION TO ENTER
INTO EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

Trustee Patterson moved to enter into EXECUTIVE SESSION at approximately 8:15 p.m. to discuss the employment/employment history of a particular person or persons.

Trustee Bernholz seconded the Motion.

6 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

**MOTION TO RETURN
TO REGULAR
SESSION**

Trustee Patterson moved to return to REGULAR SESSION at approximately 8:45 p.m.

Trustee Bernholz seconded the Motion.

6 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

PRESENT

Trustees D'Orazio, Bernholz, Patterson, O'Connor, Vanacore, Resnick,

NOT PRESENT

Trustee Rosenfeld

ALSO PRESENT

District Clerk, Jeanne Shultis; and approximately 2 visitors.

NOT ALSO PRESENT

Interim Superintendent, John G. Jordan; Assistant Superintendent, Deborah Fox; Assistant Superintendent for Business, Victoria McLaren; and Interim Student Board Representative, Frances Barlow

**LARGE PARCEL
LEGISLATION
MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Discussion of the Large Parcel Legislation was continued.

Trustee Patterson moved to adjourn at approximately 9:56 p.m.

Trustee O'Connor seconded the Motion.

6 Yes 0 No

CARRIED

Recorded by:
Jeanne Shultis
District Clerk