



Board of Education Meeting

October 16, 2023

Canisteo-Greenwood High School
6:00 PM

**CANISTEO-GREENWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL
BOARD OF EDUCATION
PUBLIC AGENDA
MONDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2023**

SPECIAL MEETING

Conference Room

6:00 PM

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Opening of the Meeting

President, **Mike Nisbet** calls the Regular Board of Education meeting to order.

President advises where the fire exits are.

Pledge of Allegiance

I. RECOMMENDATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AS FOLLOWS:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF CANISTEO-
GREENWOOD CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a special meeting of the qualified voters of the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District shall be held at Somers Hall in Canisteo and at the Greenwood Fire Hall in Greenwood in said District, on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, between the hours of 12:00 Noon and 8:00 PM The following proposition will be submitted for voter approval at said meeting:

Shall the following resolution be adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Board of Education of the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District is hereby authorized to undertake certain capital improvements consisting of construction and reconstruction of existing school buildings and facilities, various site and athletic field improvements and the acquisition of certain original furnishings, equipment, and apparatus and other incidental improvements required in connection therewith for such construction and school use, all at an estimated maximum aggregate cost of \$24,110,000; and to appropriate and expend from the existing capital reserve fund \$2,600,000 for such costs, and that the balance of such cost, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be raised by the levy of a tax to be collected in annual installments, with such tax to be offset by state aid available therefor; and, in anticipation of such tax, debt obligations of the school district as may be necessary not to exceed \$21,510,000 shall be issued.

The School District, acting as lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Act and the applicable regulations promulgated thereunder ("SEQRA"), has completed its environmental review and, on October 16, 2023, has duly issued a negative declaration and has determined that the implementation of the type I action as proposed will not result in any significant adverse environmental impacts.

AND NOTICE IS GIVEN that qualified military voters may apply for a military ballot by requesting an application from the District Clerk at (607) 698-4225 Ext. 2403 or DAmbuski@cgsd.org. For a military voter to be issued a military ballot, the District Clerk must have received a valid ballot application no later than 5:00 PM on November 9, 2023. In a request for a military ballot application or ballot, the military voter may indicate their preference for receiving the application or ballot by mail, facsimile transmission or email.

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AND NOTICE IS GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots shall be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk at least seven (7) days before the vote and election if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or the day before the vote and election if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM on December 5, 2023.

A list of persons to whom absentee and military ballots are issued will be available for inspection to qualified voters of the District in the office of the District Clerk on and after November 21, 2023, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 4:00 PM on weekdays prior to the Election; and on December 5, 2023, the day set for the Election, said list will be posted at the polling place.

The District Clerk is authorized to amend or modify this notice to comply with applicable legal requirements.

3. At such meeting taxes to be levied by installments will be proposed providing for payment of such capital costs and providing for the financing costs therefor. Such taxes shall be levied upon all the taxable property of the District, shall be levied in annual installments and shall be of such amounts and levied in such years as may be determined by the Board of Education.

4. The District Clerk or the Clerk's designee is hereby directed to publish a copy of said notice of special meeting in two newspapers having general circulation within the School District in the manner prescribed by law for publication of notice of the annual meeting of the School District.

5. All actions by the School District prior to the final environmental determination by the Board of Education, if any, are hereby found and determined to have been preliminary planning activities under SEQRA necessary to the formulation of a proposal for action which did not commit the School District to commence, engage in, fund or approve any portion of the proposed capital improvement project and financing therefor.

6. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

b) **BE IT RESOLVED**, that in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act regulations the Canisteo-Greenwood School Board hereby declares itself Lead Agency for the environmental review of the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District 2023 Capital Improvement Project. **WHEREAS**, the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District (hereinafter the "District") maintains the Elementary, High School and Transportation facilities along with associated site features; and

WHEREAS, the District is proposing to conduct a capital improvement project at the Canisteo-Greenwood Elementary School, the Canisteo-Greenwood High School, and the Canisteo-Greenwood Bus Garage and to include: improvement of roofing, existing roof drains and gutters, exterior building envelop renovations, masonry renovations, installation of an emergency generator at the bus garage, addition of a new intermediate playground, additional exterior and parking lot lighting, sidewalk replacement, perimeter security fencing, track

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resurfacing and replacement of approximately 2.5 acres of natural athletic field turf with artificial turf, renovations in areas of the auditorium, gymnasium, cafeteria, classrooms, toilet rooms, offices, concession stand, secure entrance location and other interior renovations including associated structural, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, technology, security, and hardware upgrades (collectively, the “Project”); and

WHEREAS, the District is obligated under SEQRA and corresponding regulations to review the Project, and if necessary, undertake a review of the potential environmental impacts associated with the Project before undertaking the same; and

WHEREAS, the District is the appropriate agency to be the lead agency to undertake the project review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, based upon an examination of 6 NYCRR § 617.4, the District classified the Project as a Type I Action under § 617.4(b)(9) Project includes a building eligible for listing on the State Register of Historic Places and exceeds 25% of the physical alteration threshold stated in § 617.4(b)(6)(i). A Full Environmental Assessment Form was prepared for the Project, and pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.6(b)(3), a coordinated review was undertaken by the District and no objections were received regarding the District serving as lead agency.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT:

RESOLVED, that the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District School Board hereby makes the following findings:

The Project consists of light, medium, and heavy renovations at the Canisteo-Greenwood Elementary School at 120 Greenwood St., Canisteo NY, the Canisteo-Greenwood High School at 84 Greenwood St. Canisteo NY, and the Canisteo-Greenwood Bus Garage at 22 Fifth St Canisteo NY. Activities include the improvement of roof drains and gutters, installation of an emergency generator at the bus garage, addition of a new intermediate playground, exterior and parking lot lighting, sidewalk replacement, and replacement of approximately 2.5 acres of athletic field turf with artificial turf.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that:

The Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District School Board hereby designates itself lead agency pursuant to 6 NYCRR § 617.6(b)(2) and § 617.6(b)(3) with respect to the Project.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that:

Based upon an examination of the components of the Project, the Full Environmental Assessment Form, and the criteria contained in 6 NYCRR § 617.7(c), and based upon its knowledge of the areas including and surrounding the Project site, and discussions with professionals retained by the District, the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District Board, as lead agency, hereby makes the following determinations with respect to the Project pursuant to SEQRA:

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- A. The Project constitutes a Type I Action.
- B. Based upon the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District Board's review of the Full Environmental Assessment Form, any input provided by other involved agencies, and other necessary criteria set forth in SEQRA, the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District Board hereby finds and determines that the Project will result in no significant impacts and, therefore, (a) the action is not one which "may include the potential for at least one significant adverse environmental impact," (b) "there will be no significant adverse environmental impacts," and (c) no "environmental impact statement" need be prepared, as such quoted terms are defined in SEQRA. This determination constitutes a negative declaration for purposes of SEQRA and it has been prepared in accordance with Article 8 of the Environmental Conservation Law.
- C. A copy of this resolution, together with notice of negative declaration, shall be placed on file in the office of the Canisteo-Greenwood Central School District's Business Manager where the same shall be available for public inspection during school hours and such notice of negative declaration shall be filed in such offices, posted in such places and published in the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation's Environmental News Bulletin.

This resolution shall take effect immediately.

II. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn the Board Meeting.