

MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING

April 24, 2006

This is a special meeting of the Mansfield Township Committee. The notice requirements of the law have been satisfied for this meeting by notice to the Star-Gazette and the Express Times of the time, date and location thereof. Notice was also posted on the announcement board located in the Municipal Building.

Roll Call: Mr. Baldwin, Ms. Nerbak, Mr. Appleby, Mayor Watters. Mrs. Oakley absent

Salute to Flag was done by all.

Mayor Watters thanked everyone in attendance.

RESOLUTION:

TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD COUNTY OF WARREN RESOLUTION NO. 2006-52

RESOLUTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MANSFIELD, WARREN COUNTY, NEW JERSEY IN REGARD TO CERTIFICATION OF THE LOCAL TAX LEVY FOR THE MANSFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mansfield Township School District presented to the voters, at the annual School Election held on April 18, 2006, a question concerning the tax levy requirements for the said Board of Education for current expenses and capital outlay, designated as the General Fund, in the amount of \$4,469,733; and

WHEREAS, the voters of Mansfield Township rejected the current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund, by a vote of 302 Yes votes and 322 No votes; and

WHEREAS, the same Mansfield Township School Board of Education transmitted an official copy of the rejected current expense and capital outlay budget designated as the General Fund and documentation to the Township Committee of the Township by April 20, 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield have reviewed information on the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated as the General Fund as submitted by the said Board of Education; and

WHEREAS, a joint meeting of the Township Committee of Mansfield and Mansfield Township Board of Education was held on April 24, 2006, to discuss the current expense and capital outlay budget, designated in the General Fund; and

WHEREAS, careful consideration has been given to the information received from the Board of Education, with a view toward providing a thorough and efficient system of education in the school system of the Mansfield Township School District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield in the County of Warren, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. The tax levy amount of \$4,469,733 on the ballot was rejected by the voters for the General Fund (base budget);

The Mayor and Township Committee has determined that the rejected General Fund is within the maximum T & E budget and that a reduction of \$ 0 will not adversely affect the Board of Education's ability to meet the thoroughness and efficiency standard as set forth in N.J.A.C. 6:19-5.5(a)(3). Therefore, the Mayor and Township Committee hereby reduce the General Fund tax levy by \$4,469,733. It is recommended that such reductions come from the following line-item accounts:

In consideration of these reductions, the tax levy will be adjusted as follows:

\$4,469,733	presented to the voters
\$ 0	above reductions
\$4,469,733	certified tax levy amount

2. The Mayor and Township Committee hereby certifies that the amount of the tax levy herein above certified by this Municipal Government for the General fund (base budget) is sufficient to provide a thorough and efficient system of education for the Mansfield Township School District.
3. The aforementioned tax levy herein certified by the Township of Mansfield for the base budget does not exceed the local share required by the Comprehensive Educational Improvement and Financing Act of 1996.
4. The Township Clerk of the Township of Mansfield is directed to certify no later than Friday, May 19, 2006, to the Warren County Board of Taxation, the Warren County Superintendent of Schools, the Mansfield Township School District Board of Education, the Mansfield Township Tax Assessor, the Division of Local Finance of the Department of the Treasury of the State of New Jersey, and to any other parties required by law to receive such certification, that the amount of \$4,469,733 is necessary to be raised by taxation for General Fund revenues (District tax levy); a proportionate amount of which shall be included in the taxes to be raised, levied and collected in this Township for current expense and capital outlay, designated as General Fund set forth herein, for the Mansfield Township School District; and copies of this Resolution, to be executed by the Mayor and Township Clerk, shall be forwarded by the Township Clerk of the persons and/or departments named herein, for certification purposes.

On motion by Mr. Baldwin and seconded by Ms. Nerbak the aforementioned Resolution 2006-52 be adopted as read.

Roll Call Vote	Yes	No	Absent/Abstained
Mr. Baldwin	X		
Ms. Nerbak	X		
Mr. Appleby	X		
Mayor Watters	X		
Mrs. Oakley			X

Upon a motion made by Mr. Baldwin and a second by Ms. Nerbak Resolution 2006-52, Resolution of the Township Committee of the Township of Mansfield, Warren County, New Jersey in regard to Certification of the Local Tax Levy for the Mansfield Township School District, was approved.

Ayes: Mr. Baldwin, Ms. Nerbak, Mr. Appleby, and Mayor Watters

Nays: None

Absent: Mrs. Oakley

Mr. Baldwin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:55pm, seconded by Mr. Appleby, and carried by all.