

**BOQUET VALLEY CSD
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT VOTE**

OFFICIAL MINUTES

DATE: February 15, 2024

TIME: 12:00 PM – 8:00 PM

PLACE: BVCS D Lake View Campus Gymnasium Foyer

The Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of the Boquet Valley Central School District, Essex County, New York was called to order at 12:00 PM, prevailing time, by Chairperson, Jana Atwell for the purpose of voting on a capital improvement project consisting of (i) the acquisition of up to 100+/- acres of land from the County of Essex (a portion of the Thrall Dam site) and (ii) the construction a new K-12 public school, new bus garage, new athletic fields, and (iii) the general development of new school grounds including other appurtenant and related improvements, the acquisition and installation in and around such buildings, facilities and improvements of original furnishings, equipment, machinery, and apparatus, and other services incidental thereto (the “Capital Project”); all at a total estimated maximum cost not to exceed \$65,875,025, with such cost being raised by the expenditure of approximately \$5,130,901 from the following respective funds and in the respective amounts: (i) \$902,113 from the District’s existing “Westport Capital Improvement Reserve” fund (said fund being established pursuant to a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the District on February 7, 2017), and (ii) \$4,228,788 from the District’s existing “Elizabethtown-Lewis Capital Improvement Reserve” fund (said fund being established pursuant to a proposition approved by the qualified voters of the District on May 20, 2014), and, with the balance thereof, not to exceed \$60,744,124, being raised by a tax upon the taxable property of said District to be levied and collected in annual installments in such amounts and in such years as may be determined by the Board as provided in Section 416 of the Education Law, with such tax to be partially offset by State aid available therefore, and in anticipation of such tax, by obligations of said District as may be necessary.

At 8:00 PM, prevailing time, the Chairperson announced that all qualified voters present in the polling place had been allowed to vote and thereby declared the polls closed.

Immediately upon the close of the polls, the following Inspectors, Clerks of Election and Chairperson proceeded to canvass the vote: Deb Brooks, Judy French, Gwen Goff, Shari Morris and Jana Atwell.

The ballots which were cast between the hours of 12:00 PM and 8:00 PM were tallied first, followed by the absentee ballots, which were opened, shuffled and left remaining in a folded position until the count was taken.

The following report was made by the District Clerk and Chairperson, Jana Atwell:

Total number of ballots cast regarding the school budget: 1385
(This figure includes 179 absentee ballots.)

Number of yes votes in favor of the proposed Capital Improvement Project: 372
Number of no votes opposed to the proposed Capital Improvement Project: 1008
Number of ballots declared as VOID: 5
Number of ballots left blank: 0

TOTAL: 1385

The proposed Capital Improvement Project was declared to have failed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM

Jana Atwell
District Clerk

Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Education.

Date approved by the BOE: March 14, 2024

Jana Atwell, District Clerk