

**EAST STROUDSBURG AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING - DECEMBER 12, 2005
J. T. Lambert Intermediate School - Library**

5:00 p.m.

Minutes

- I. President Cole called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Secretary Patricia Rosado called the roll.
- II. Members present were: Christopher Baj, Horace Cole, Robert Gress, Bet Hays (arrived at 5:06 p.m.), Keith Karkut, Don Motts, Michal Peterson (arrived at 5:06 p.m.), William Searfoss and William Zacharias.
- III. School personnel present: Marie Guidry, Rachael Heath, Patricia Rosado and James Shearouse. Also present was Becky Craggs, Attorney.
- IV. Media Guest present: – **Channel 13 News**

V. **FISCAL ITEMS**

A. Agreement with PPL

(The following item(s) are to be deleted from the consensus motion at Board Member(s) request.)

ACTION BY THE BOARD: Motion was made by Donald Motts that the Board enter into a partnership agreement with PPL for the stream bank stabilization of the Walker property as set forth in the November 14, 2005 correspondence and enclosures from SITE TECH, INC. This will result in PPL being responsible for engineering fees and for payment of \$275,000.00 toward the total estimated cost of \$883,374.00 with the District's share being \$608,374.00. To the extent that this expenditure is determined to be an emergency under Section 751 of the School Code, the officers and agents of the District are authorized and directed to request approval from the Department of Education. Motion was seconded by Robert Gress. A second motion was made by Christopher Baj to table this motion. The motion was seconded by William Searfoss and carried unanimously 9-0 to table the motion.

(See pages 2-12)

B. Newton Engineering Contract

(The following item(s) are to be deleted from the consensus motion at Board Member(s) request.)

ACTION BY THE BOARD: Motion was made by Christopher Baj to accept the proposal from Newton Engineering, Inc., dated December 5, 2005, for a Traffic Impact Study related to the proposed elementary school on the Terra Greens site on Route 447 in Smithfield Township at a cost not to exceed \$11,600. Motion was seconded by Donald Motts and carried unanimously, 9-0.

(See pages 13-27)

VI. **ANNOUNCEMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION**

VII. **ADJOURNMENT 6:45 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia L. Rosado
Board Secretary