Vice-President Crinda McConville called the budget hearing to order at 7:33 p.m. on September 10, 2012, at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Crinda McConville, Steve McConville, Steve Daffer, Tom Sughroue, Kevin Potthoff, Principal Carrie Rasmussen, Superintendent Clayton Waddle, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: Duane Teter.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Cody Gerlach, Patsy Redfern, Beverly Smith, Keri Waddle, Nick Brost, Mary Shirkey, David Wilson, and Linda Clark.

The Board was available to listen to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to the proposed budget of expenditures for all district funds for the 2012-2013 school year and to consider amendments relative thereto. No comments were made, and no action was taken.

Vice-President Crinda McConville adjourned the hearing at 7:34 p.m.
Hearing to Set Final Tax Request
Southwest Public Schools
District 179
September 10, 2012

Vice-President Crinda McConville called the hearing to set the final tax request to order at 7:35 p.m. on September 10, 2012, at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Crinda McConville, Steve McConville, Steve Daffer, Kevin Potthoff, Tom Sughrue, Principal Carrie Rasmussen, Superintendent Clayton Waddle, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: Duane Teter.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Cody Gerlach, Patsy Redfern, Beverly Smith, Keri Waddle, Nick Brost, Mary Shirkey, David Wilson, and Linda Clark.

The Board was available to listen to support, opposition, criticism, suggestions or observations of taxpayers relating to setting the final tax request at a different rate than the prior year tax request. No comments were made, and no action was taken.

Vice President Crinda McConville adjourned the hearing at 7:36 p.m.
Board of Education Meeting  
Southwest Public Schools  
District 179  
September 10, 2012

Vice-President Crinda McConville called the regular meeting of the Southwest Public Schools Board of Education to order at 7:40 p.m. on September 10, 2012 at the Southwest Junior-Senior High School in Bartley.

Present: Tom Sughroue, Kevin Potthoff, Crinda McConville, Steve McConville, Steve Daffer, Principals Carrie Rasmussen and Matt Springer, Superintendent Clayton Waddle, and Patricia Smith.

Absent: Duane Teter.

Visitors: Mary Marsh, Cody Gerlach, Patsy Redfern, Beverly Smith, Keri Waddle, Nick Brost, Mary Shirkey, David Wilson, Ondrea McConville, and Linda Clark.

Vice-President McConville observed Open Meeting Law requirements.


Moved by Daffer, seconded by S. McConville, to approve the board meeting agenda as presented. Ayes: Daffer, Sughroue, Potthoff, C. McConville, and S. McConville. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Notice of the meeting was given in advance by the board approved method of meeting notice. Notice of the meeting was given in advance to the president of the board and all members prior to the meeting date.

Patsy Redfern presented a Certificate of Recognition to the Board as the Bartley High School was chosen as one of Heritage Nebraska’s Fading Places selections for 2012.

Nick Brost, junior and senior high science instructor, presented a demonstration on the use of Livescribe smartpens in his classroom.

Keri Waddle, elementary counselor, informed the Board of the elementary backpack program, which helps fill the need for students with limited food available during the weekend. With the increased eligible students during this school year, the program is actively seeking donations from organizations and the community.

Mrs. Waddle also presented information on the Grade 6 “Rockin’ Riders” leadership group and their activities at the elementary school each month.

The Board was informed of students receiving awards and recognition in cross country and girls’ golf meets.


The treasurer’s report was presented to the Board.

After a discussion and questions answered by David Wilson of W Design Associates, a motion was made by Potthoff and seconded by Daffer, to approve the bid from EAD Constructors for the 1923 building demolition and gym renovation for $605,000.00. Ayes: Sughroue, C. McConville, S. McConville, Daffer, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the published budget of expenditures for the 2012-2013 fiscal year for all district funds as presented during the budget hearing. Ayes: Sughroue, S. McConville, C. McConville, Potthoff, and Daffer. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Moved by Sughroue, seconded by Daffer, to approve the resolution to set the property tax request of $4,066,323.70 for the General Fund, $522,328.36 for the Bond Fund, $293,143.94 for the Special Building Fund, and $159,647.08 for the Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund for the 2012-2013 fiscal year as published and presented. Ayes: S. McConville, Sughroue, C. McConville, Potthoff, and Daffer. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Moved by Daffer, seconded by Potthoff, to approve the $13,333.13 transfer from the Employee Benefit Fund to the General Fund to reimburse the early retirement incentive payment. Ayes: Daffer, Potthoff, S. McConville, C. McConville, and Sughroue. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Moved by S. McConville, seconded by Sughroue, to approve the ratification of Stephanie Guerrero as a custodian. Ayes: C. McConville, Sughroue, S. McConville, Potthoff, and Daffer. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.


Superintendent Waddle discussed power needs for the renovation project, asbestos abatement schedule, auction of surplus property, School Improvement Steering Committee workshops, administrative team meetings, and a Town Hall meeting date scheduled for Monday, November 12.

Principal Springer reported on the need to replace the 1977 coach bus, junior high sports practice schedule, track projects, ACT tests, lunch account balances, drug dog sweep, and dying trees on the west side of the building.

Principal Rasmussen reported on donation of school supplies from the community and Adams Bank & Trust, Computers for Education fundraiser, September 24 bully presentation, and Parent-Teacher Conferences on September 26 at the elementary.

Moved by Daffer, seconded by Sughroue, to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Ayes: Daffer, C. McConville, Sughroue, S. McConville, and Potthoff. Nays: None. Absent: Teter. Motion carried.

Agenda for meetings will be kept continually current and available for public inspection in the office of the Superintendent.

The next regular board meeting will be held on Monday, October 8, 2012, at 7:30 p.m. at the Southwest Elementary School in Indianola.