

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF  
EDUCATION, SCHOOL DISTRICT #22, CASS COUNTY,  
WEEPING WATER, NEBRASKA  
September 11, 2024

President Adam DeMike called the meeting to order at 6:15 PM in the Weeping Water Public School Conference Room.

Board members attendance at roll call were **Present:** Jason Brack, Haley Dehne, Adam DeMike, Betty Harms, Neil Huskey, Doug Meyer, Mark Rathe.

{{Name: Agenda Item Name}}

1. Call to Order

**Present:** Jason Brack, Haley Dehne, Adam DeMike, Betty Harms, Neil Huskey, Doug Meyer, Mark Rathe.

2. Roll Call

3. Open Meetings Act

4. Hearing for 2025 Property Tax Request

5. Public Input

6. Adjournment

Respectfully submitted,

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Board Secretary

## Notice of Special Hearing To Set Final Tax Request

Weeping Water Public Schools (13-0022) in Cass County, Nebraska

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	2023-2024	2024-2025	Change
Property Valuations	425,452,996	435,060,917	2%

### 2023-2024 Budget Information

### 2024-2025 Budget Information

Fund	2023-2024 Operating Budget	2023-2024 Property Tax Request	2023 Tax Rate	Property Tax Rate (2023-2024 Request Divided By 2023 Valuation)	2024-2025 Operating Budget	2024-2025 Proposed Property Tax Request	Proposed 2024 Tax Rate	Change in Tax Rate	Change in Operating Budget
<b>General Fund</b>	5,948,300.00	4,456,757.00	1.047532	1.024398	6,012,428.00	4,426,977.00	1.017553	-3%	1%
<b>Bond Fund(s) K - 12</b>	843,820.00	751,333.00	0.176596	0.172696	847,073.00	772,727.00	0.177614	1%	0%
<b>Bond Fund(s) K - 8</b>			0.000000	0.000000			0.000000	#DIV/0!	0
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<b>Special Building Fund</b>	224,994.00		0.000000	0.000000	122,440.24	78,535.00	0.018051	#DIV/0!	-46%
<b>Qualified Capital Purpose Undertaking Fund K - 12</b>	115,512.00	60,710.00	0.014269	0.013954	84,827.00	62,626.00	0.014395	1%	-27%
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**Weeping Water  
Public Schools  
Tax Request Hearing**

**September 11, 2024**

# Funding Sources

## State and Federal

- State ~\$1,352,703
  - » State aid = \$467,066 (decrease of \$24,428)
  - » State SPED = ~\$432,065
  - » Other state funds = ~\$478,000
- Federal ~\$165,130
  - » Title = ~\$52,000
  - » IDEA = ~\$81,130
  - » REAP/Other = ~\$32,000



# Taxable Value (2023 to 2024 comparison)

- Taxable value for the 2023 was \$425,452,996.
- Taxable value for the 2024 will be \$435,060,917.
- This is an increase of \$9,607,921.
- Real growth of \$1,606,950

# Tax Request goals

- Stay under the authorized budget cap
- Stay under the allowable growth rate
- Stay under the property tax request authority cap of 7% cap
- Stay within the levy cap of \$1.05
  - Keep in mind these are all non-bond caps / checkpoints.



# Budget Cap

- This is the easiest to stay within as we cannot generate enough revenue to come close to our budget authority.
- This is banked ever year.
  - 24/25 unused authority is \$534,540
  - Our total “banked” unused authority is \$4,530,878.

# Allowable Growth

- Postcard Meeting rule
  - This checkpoint requires schools to attend a joint hearing if your tax request exceeds the allowable growth rate.
  - Our allowable growth rate was 2.41%
  - The budget was \$58,199 below the allowable growth rate.



# Levy / Property Tax Authority

- We are within the \$1.05 cap (\$1.04999)
- To be able to pay our bills and obligations within the \$1.05 levy cap, we needed to use the full property tax authority of 7%

# Funding Sources

## Property taxes

- General Fund: \$4,426,997 (\$1.017553)
- Building Fund: \$78,535 (\$0.018051)
- QCPUF: \$62,626 (\$0.014395)  
(\$1.049999)
- Bond Fund: \$772,727 (\$0.177614)



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# Levy Comparison

## 2023/24 to 2024/25

**2023-24**

**1.238397**

**2024-25**

**1.227613**

**-\$0.010784**

A top-down view of a wooden desk with a white sheet of paper. A fountain pen is in the bottom left corner, and a lamp is in the top right corner. The word "Questions?" is written in the center of the paper.

**Questions?**