

**FORT ANN CENTRAL SCHOOL
Board of Education
FORT ANN, NEW YORK**

Budget Hearing

May 28, 2020

The virtual annual budget hearing of the Fort Ann Central School District was held on Thursday, May 28, 2020. Mr. Kevin Froats, Superintendent, opened the meeting at 12:07 p.m.

Present: Mr. Kevin Froats, Mr. Alexander Bodensieck, Mrs. Shelley Gregorio, Mr. Justin Hoskins, Mrs. Michele Discenza, Mrs. Lori Johnson, Mr. Ted Wood, Mr. Craig Masten, Mrs. Micki Jones, Mrs. Lesley Conway, Mr. Dave Morse, Mrs. Leslie Gould, and Mrs. Heather Wood.

Mr. Alexander Bodensieck presented budget details with a power point presentation.

The Board of Education is asking the voters to approve a budget of \$12,345,678.00, which is a \$631,678 (5.39%) increase from the previous year budget. This budget results in a tax levy of \$5,226,988 or approximately \$13.75 per \$1,000 assessed value. The District plans to use \$600,000 of fund balance to help offset the tax burden.

All school districts are awaiting funding updates from Governor Cuomo due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. There is a possible reduction of approximately \$850,000 to our funding.

There are two (2) candidates running in this at large election for two (2) available seats, Incumbents: Mrs. Alison West and Mrs. Cathy Graham. No other petitions were received.

Bus proposition on the ballot includes purchase of two (2) school buses and one (1) van at a total cost not to exceed \$200,000.

The budget vote and election will be conducted via mail-in ballots only. Ballots must be received by June 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Required documents are available on the District website and in the District Office.

There were no questions from the audience.

The meeting concluded at 12:20 p.m.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Shelley Gregorio
District Clerk