

**WALWORTH TOWN BOARD – SPECIAL MEETING
11 SEPTEMBER 2013**

The following was submitted:

**GANANDA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GANANDA MIDDLE SCHOOL, Room 508
WALWORTH, NEW YORK 14568**

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING MINUTES – September 11, 2013

Ms. Lisa Finnegan, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mr. William Buchko, Mr. Stephen Nims, Mr. Charles Rothfuss, Ms. Robin Vogt

ABSENT: Ms. Suzanne Carder, Ms. Amy Suchan

OTHERS PRESENT: Ms. Leslie Ferrante, District Clerk; Ms. Susie Jacobs, Walworth Town Clerk; Ms. Patricia Marini, Councilwoman; Ms. Natalie Melnik, Business Administrator; Mr. Vaughn Pembroke, Councilman; Mr. Robert Plant, Walworth Town Supervisor; Mr. Larry Ruth, Town Councilman; Dr. Shawn Van Scoy, Superintendent and four public attendees.

The Gananda Board of Education invited the Town of Walworth Board to their meeting to review recent changes within the town and discuss sharing opportunities.

Mr. Plant informed the Gananda Board that Tops Supermarket will be building in Walworth and anticipates breaking ground in December 2013, with an anticipated November 2014 opening. The facility will be approximately 42,000 square feet and house the grocery store with a bank, a paint/hardware store and one out building. The Sports Depot has approvals and will break ground soon; completion date to be determined at a future Town Planning Board meeting. Several sports teams have already signed contracts with the facility. The sports complex will be in the Gananda CSD.

Dr. Van Scoy shared that the Gananda CSD will spend this year looking at finances. The district's largest cost will be the teachers' retirement system. The board will be looking at all viable options to understand the positive and negative impact of each.

One of the issues that the district faces is declining enrollment. To date there is no new home construction in the Walworth boundaries of the Gananda CSD. Mr. Pembroke asked if we offered any incentives to new residents to build, such as tax relief for the first few years. Dr. Van Scoy stated that this is not in the school district's authority.

Ms. Vogt briefed the Walworth Town Board on the annual program that the district offers to realtors to educate them on the school district. The Town Board expressed an interest in participating in this event.

Mr. Pembroke invited Dr. Van Scoy to attend a Lions Club meeting to discuss the benefits of the Gananda CSD and suggested that he present to all civic clubs in the area.

The Gananda and Walworth Town Boards engaged in a discussion about sharing services and equipment such as a driveway sealer, salt, and a fuel depot. Each board will generate a list of equipment and discuss sharing opportunities. It was suggested that we expand the sharing to the Town of Macedon and other school districts.

Mr. Plant requested that Dr. Van Scoy share a list of other areas that are in need of sidewalks.

The joint meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Leslie Ferrante
Clerk of the Board

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ADJOURNMENT:

Supervisor Plant adjourned the joint Special meeting with Gananda School District. Town Board Special meeting will reconvene at the Walworth Town Hall at 7:30 PM.

Time: 7:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susie C. Jacobs, MMC, RMC
Town Clerk

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