Readsboro School District
Special Budget Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, January 20, 2026
4:30 PM

Location: Readsboro School Gym & Remote

Attendees: *Bill Bazyk, Cindy Florence, Helyn Strom-Henriksen, Jim Irace*
Visitors: *Emily Howard, Becky Richardson, Bruce Busa, Crystal Bolio, Asa Whitcomb Jones*

I. Call to Order

Cindy called the meeting to order at 4:34 PM

II. Changes to the Agenda -

None

III. Items for Discussion with Possible Action/Executive session

- FY26/27 Budget
  - Discussed Operating and non Operating Budget changes made since last version
    - Changes to operating budget included required building maintenance (front door & lead abatement) and micro school professional development funding.
    - Changes to non operating budget included board stipends, school board professional services (VSBA dues & legal fees) and school board liability insurance
    - Discussed effect on tax rate for both budget options

				Increase above your current tax bill based on the following housesite value		
	Budget	Estimated/Tax Rate	Increase	100,000	200,000	300,000
Current Year (FY26)	1,840,508	1.5808	-			
Non-operating (FY27)	1,931,739	1.9137	0.3329	332.90	665.80	998.70
Operating (FY27)	2,253,965	2.5129	0.9321	932.10	1,864.20	2,796.30

    - Helen moved to approve the non-operating budget; seconded by Jim. *Motion passed, unanimously.*
- Warning
  - The board reviewed and discussed the warning.
    Helyn moved to approve the warning as written; seconded by Jim. *Motion passed, unanimously.*

    - The Board amended the warning to include non-operating in the budget article.
    - Jim moved to approve as amended; seconded by Helyn. *Motion passed, unanimously.*

- Annual Report Informational Document
    - The Board discussed information to be included in the annual report and informational insert. The Board will also include a report in the annual booklet and will get this to Bill by Friday.
- Timeline
    - Discussed need date for contents of annual report
- Principal's Annual Report
    - Discussed that it will be included in annual report
- Superintendent Annual Report
    - Discussed that it would be included in annual report

IV. Executive Session, if necessary

None

V. Return to Regular Session

N/A

VI. Hearing of Visitors / Public Comment

- **Board received numerous questions from visitors throughout the meeting**

VII. Next Scheduled Meetings

- Readsboro Regular Meeting – February 3, 2026 @ 6:00 PM

VIII. Adjournment

Helyn motioned to adjourn at 5:40; Jim seconded. *The board voted unanimously.*