Budget Workshop #5

Patchogue-Medford School District March 16, 2015

Property Tax Cap

- District required to establish a Tax Cap Reserve in the amount of \$326,139;
- Due to State change in recalibration of building aid after the proposed budget for the 2014-2015 school year was approved by the Board;
- Maximum Allowable Tax Levy will be reduced by \$326,139
 due to the adjustment.

Property Tax Cap Adjustments

Adjustments to Tax Cap Calculation	(Workshop #4)	(Workshop #5) Final After Comptroller's Review
Levy	\$103,564,998.75	\$103,237,137.00
Levy Reserve	0	(\$ 326,139)
Budget to Budget % Increase of Levy	2.86%	2.54%

Capital Reserve Fund

- Requires voter approval;
- Requires Board resolution;
- Enables district to establish reserve fund for future capital repairs;
- District must define what the funds will be used for and the term of the project;
- Administration recommends funds be used for roof repairs district wide if District receives additional State Aid.

Budget and Tax Rate Summary

- Tax rate percentage increase 2.62 4.71 % depending on determination of assessed valuation in August 2015
- Levy to levy increase 2.54 % or \$2,555,006
- Budget to budget increase .94% or \$1,615,074
- Annual increase in taxes for an average home assessed at \$3,000 \$182.84 (with no assessment decline)

Contingent Budget

- Eliminate all equipment purchases;
- Remove all inter fund transfers;
- One administrative staff reduction;
- Total cuts required of \$2,191,795.

Fund Balance

- Reserve funds carefully reviewed to ensure that appropriate funding levels are maintained;
- Proposed reduction in appropriated reserve of 1.3M
- EBLAR reserve increase of \$250,000
- Reduction in Unemployment Reserve of \$400,000
- Phase in of ERS reserve to fully budget in General Fund over three years.

Four Year Plan