

SPECIAL VOTE ISSUE

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2018-2019 Capital Reserve

Dear Patchogue-Medford Community,

Over the past several years, several propositions have been placed on the ballot to either establish or spend monies from our Capital Reserve Fund. Each of the propositions received overwhelming approvals ranging from 68%-76%. The Board appreciates the community support and is mindful of our fiscal responsibility to judiciously spend taxpayer's money. With this in mind, I am pleased to update you on the numerous capital projects that have been completed with the Capital Reserve Funds that have been authorized by the community. **All projects were completed on time and under budget!**

On October 16, 2018, a proposition will be presented to the voters to authorize an additional \$4,600,000 of Capital work from the newly established Capital Reserve. **There is no additional cost to the taxpayers, since the money is available in an authorized Capital Reserve.** Renderings of some of the proposed projects are included on page 2 of this issue. In addition, we receive a return of more than 70 cents on every dollar spent from the Capital Reserve, which exponentially improves the District's financial position and our infrastructures. The estimated return of more than 70 cents on the dollar is a result of the State Aid ratio associated with the District's Building Aid Formula.

I invite you to join me on October 3, 2018 at Saxton Middle School at 7:00 p.m. for an informational meeting and encourage you to vote on October 16, 2018 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m. for the Capital Reserve Vote.

Sincerely,

Anthony C. O'Brien
President, Patchogue-Medford Board of Education

SUMMARY OF ACTIVITY ON THE \$5,000,000 CAPITAL RESERVE ESTABLISHED ON MAY 19, 2015

LOCATION	PROJECT	FUNDING SOURCE	AUTHORIZED COSTS	STATUS
BARTON	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$243,164	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
BAY	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$147,314	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
CANAAN	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$237,162	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
EAGLE	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$250,055	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
MEDFORD	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$208,353	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
MEDFORD	REPLACE SOUTH WINDOWS	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$443,622	COMPLETED FALL 2017
TREMONT	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$315,645	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
SAXTON	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$465,170	COMPLETED SUMMER 2017
HIGH SCHOOL	TENNIS COURTS AND ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$1,509,814	COMPLETED SUMMER 2018
RIVER	ROOF RECOAT	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$137,370	COMPLETED SUMMER 2018
SOUTH OCEAN	BOYS & GIRLS LOCKERS	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$145,545	COMPLETED SUMMER 2018
SAXTON	BOYS & GIRLS LOCKERS	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$201,090	COMPLETED SUMMER 2018
DISTRICTWIDE	SECURITY ENHANCEMENTS	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$695,696	ON-GOING
		TOTAL CAPITAL RESERVE 2015	\$5,000,000	

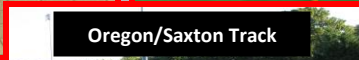
Capital Reserve Vote

Tuesday, October 16, 2018 7 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Proposed Capital Reserve Projects

PROPOSED CAPITAL RESERVE IMPROVEMENTS

- ★ Below you will see renderings of the proposed playground renovations at Tremont (top left), Medford (top right), Bay (2nd row left) and Barton (2nd row right); the Oregon/Saxton track (middle); Greenhouse exterior (bottom left) and interior (bottom center); and a security vestibule as well as a chart indicating the other proposed projects and the anticipated costs for each.



ANALYSIS OF PROPOSED \$4.6 MILLION CAPITAL RESERVE PROJECTS

LOCATION	PROJECT	FUNDING SOURCE	ESTIMATED COSTS	ANTICIPATED COMPLETION
OREGON	TRACK	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$1,000,000	SUMMER 2019
SAXTON	TRACK	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$1,000,000	SUMMER 2019
ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	PLAYGROUND RENOVATION PLAN SUPPLEMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE INTER FUND TRANSFER TO CAPITAL	\$550,000	SUMMER 2019
MEDFORD	PARKING LOOP	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$500,000	SUMMER 2019
CANAAN	SECURITY VESTIBULE	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$350,000	SUMMER 2019
HIGH SCHOOL	DUST COLLECTION SYSTEM	CAPITAL RESERVE	\$200,000	SUMMER 2019
HIGH SCHOOL	GREENHOUSE SUPPLEMENT	COMMUNITY SCHOOLS CAPITAL RESERVE	\$500,000	SUMMER 2019
DISTRICTWIDE	ADA RENOVATIONS SUPPLEMENT	CAPITAL RESERVE INTER FUND TRANSFER TO CAPITAL	\$500,000	SUMMER 2019

Questions and Answers

What proposition is being presented to voters on October 16, 2018?

The proposition seeks authorization to spend \$4,600,000 of the newly established Capital Reserve Fund on a series of capital projects that are highlighted throughout this special edition of the Messenger.

What specific capital projects are proposed?

The following projects are included in the proposed plan: new track at Oregon Middle School, new track at Saxton Middle School, playground additions and renovations at all seven elementary schools, a bus loop at Medford Elementary School, security vestibule installation at Canaan Elementary School, dust collection system(s) at the High School, additions to the proposed greenhouse at the High School and ADA compliance additions as required Districtwide. Please reference the project schedule and estimated costs on page 2 of this special edition of the Messenger.

What happens if the proposition fails?

In the event that the voters reject the proposition, the funds totaling \$4,600,000 would remain in the Capital Reserve Fund until such time that the voters authorize a spending plan.

What are the next steps if the proposition is approved by the voters?

If the voters approve the proposition, the District will submit documents to the State Education Department for review. Once approved by the State, the District will bid the projects and seek Board approval. Once the Board approves the bids, the projects can be scheduled for summer 2019.

What is the difference between projects funded with a capital reserve, and projects that are funded with bond issues?

When capital projects are funded with a bond issue, the District must pay interest expense on the funds borrowed over the life of the bond issue. When capital projects are funded with a capital reserve, the District does not have to issue bonds, as the funds are already available, and can save any applicable financing costs.

What happens if the proposed projects are awarded below the proposed budget of \$4,600,000?

If the proposition is successful, and the proposed projects are awarded below \$4,600,000, the funds will remain in the Capital Reserve until such time that another capital project is recommended for voter approval.

Proposition 1

“Shall the Board of Education of the Patchogue-Medford Union Free School District be authorized to expend from the Capital Reserve Fund-2018 which was established on May 15, 2018 (“Reserve Fund”) pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law, for the following capital improvements: tracks at Oregon Middle School and Saxton Middle School, additions to the greenhouse at the High School, dust collection system(s) at the High School, playground additions at all seven elementary schools, a bus loop at Medford Elementary School, security vestibule installation at Canaan Elementary School, ADA compliance additions as required District-wide, and any ancillary or related work required in connection with such projects and to expend from the Reserve Fund therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of Four Million Six Hundred Thousand (\$4,600,000.00) dollars, and other work required in connection therewith; and to expend from the Reserve Fund therefor?”

Voter Qualifications

To be eligible to vote in school district elections, a person must:

- Be at least 18 years of age;
- Be a resident of the school district for at least 30 days prior to October 16, 2018;
- Be a citizen of the United States and;
- Be a registered voter with the Board of Registry or with the Suffolk County Board of Elections.

District Polling Places

- District No. 1: South Ocean Middle School
- District No. 2: Medford Elementary School
- District No. 3: Saxton Middle School
- District No. 4: Tremont Elementary School
- District No. 5: Eagle Elementary School

Absentee Ballots

Absentee ballot applications may be obtained at the Administrative Center, 241 South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue or via the District web site (www.pmschools.org). Ballots will be issued upon the satisfactory completion of the application form. The deadline for filing absentee ballot application, if the ballots are mailed to the resident is October 9, 2018 by 4:30 p.m. The deadline for filing absentee ballot applications, if the ballots are to be personally delivered to residents, is October 15, 2018 by 4:30 p.m. All absentee ballots must be filed with the District Clerk by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, October 16, 2018.

**Información en español: si le interesa obtener esta información en español,
llame at 631-687-6380**

Voter Registration

Any school day at the Administrative Center, 241 South Ocean Avenue, Patchogue, New York 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Contact the District Clerk (687-6370) for further information.

Deadline to register with the School District Board of Registry is Tuesday, October 9, 2018 by 4 p.m.



Qualified voters with disabilities who seek information about access to polling places may, in advance of the day of the vote, contact the District Clerk at (631) 687-6370 for information about accessibility.

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