

Minutes of Special Meeting  
April 4, 2022

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Exhibit C

The Rootstown Local Board of Education met in special session at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria on April 4, 2022. Present were Tom Siciliano, Jen Curall, Craig Mullaly, Amanda Waesch, Paul McEwuen, Andrew Hawkins, Superintendent, and Connie Baldwin, Treasurer. Also present: Dave McIntyre, Trustee. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: J. Curall, C. Mullaly, T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, P. McEwuen

**RESOLUTION 2022-04-077**  
**ADOPT THE AGENDA**

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: J. Curall

To approve the agenda

Yeas: T. Siciliano, J. Curall, P. McEwuen, C. Mullaly, A. Waesch

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**Superintendent's Reports/Recommendations:**

**RESOLUTION 2022-04-078**  
**CCP AGREEMENT**

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: T. Siciliano

To approve the College Credit Plus agreement with Youngstown State for the 2022-2023 school year.

Yeas: A. Waesch, T. Siciliano, C. Mullaly, J. Curall, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2022-04-079**  
**PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT**

Motion: A. Waesch

Second: P. McEwuen

To approve the following property tax abatement resolution with the amended language to include: the fifteen year abatement period will begin on the date of the county assessment of the new valuation following completion of the construction project.

WHEREAS, the Portage Development Board has notified the District that Singleton Reels, Inc, ("Company") is planning to purchase land and make improvements to the land in order to relocate its current facility and construct a new 90,000 square foot manufacturing/assembly facility on Lynn Road in Rootstown with an investment amount of approximately \$7,550,000 for real and personal property ("Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Project is located within the boundaries of an existing Enterprise Zone that has been duly created and approved by the Rootstown Township Board of Trustees and the Board of Commissioners of Portage County pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Chapter 5709; and

WHEREAS, the Project is expected to be completed by Fall of 2023, and is expected to retain the Company's 19 existing full-time jobs and 1 part-time job and add 7 new full-time permanent jobs to its current staff of employees with an estimated new annual payroll of \$620,000 added to its existing payroll of \$1,515,000; and

WHEREAS, the Company is seeking a tax incentive to assist with financing the expansion in the way of an 80% abatement of the value of the new construction for fifteen (15) years; and

WHEREAS, the Board has been provided with notice concerning the proposed abatement of the Project prior to formal adoption of a resolution approving an abatement as required by Ohio Revised Code Section 5709.83; and

WHEREAS, the Board recognizes that the Portage County Development Board, the Rootstown Township Board of Trustees and Board of Commissioners of Portage County encourages economic development within the area designated as the Enterprise Zone and that the proposed Project will benefit the Township, the County and the school district community; and

WHEREAS, to the best of its ability the Board desires to cooperate with the Township's and County's efforts to promote and encourage economic development while balancing the best interests of the school district and the resulting tax revenues generated from the Project.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of Education of the Rootstown Local School District, Portage County, Ohio, that:

**Section 1.** Subject to the execution of an agreement with the Company to compensate the District for a portion of revenues lost due to tax exemption, the Board approves of an 80 percent (80%) real property tax exemption for fifteen (15) years under the Enterprise Zone Program with respect to all real property improvements constructed as part of the Project and as described in the Tax Exemption Application submitted to the Rootstown Township Board of Trustees and approves an Enterprise Zone Agreement between/among the Township and the Company providing for such real property tax exemption.

**Section 2.** The Board further authorizes the Board President, Superintendent and Treasurer to execute an agreement with the Company to compensate the District for a portion of revenues lost due to tax exemption, in a form substantially in the form of Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof.

**Section 3.** WHEREAS, the Board of Education waives the 45 business days notice required O.R.C. §§ 5709.63 and 5709.83, solely with respect to the enterprise zone exemption proposed for the Project referenced herein. The Board of Education does not waive its right to receive notice of any future exemptions and expects to receive notice of the same in accordance with applicable law

**Section 4.** This Board finds and determines that all formal actions of this Board concerning and relating to this Resolution were taken in an open meeting of this Board and that all deliberations of this Board and of any committees that resulted in those formal actions were in meetings open to the public in compliance with the law.

**Section 5.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its adoption.

Yeas: A. Waesch, P. McEwuen, J. Curall, P. McEwuen, T. Siciliano

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

**RESOLUTION 2022-04-080**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion: T. Siciliano

Second: A. Waesch

To adjourn the meeting at 6:24.

Yeas: T. Siciliano, A. Waesch, J. Curall, C. Mullaly, P. McEwuen

Nays: None

Motion Carried: 5 to 0

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Craig Mullaly, President

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Connie Baldwin, Treasurer