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O-A district sells former school for \$110K

New owner considering multiple uses

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The Owego-Apalachin Central School District Board of Education on Wednesday voted in favor of accepting \$110,000 for the 112,000-square-foot one-story building and more than 19 acres.

The new owner, Leonard Hilldale, will use the facility for his nonprofit, Beds 4 Kids, which provides mattresses and bed frames for those in need.

An auction took place Wednesday, with Hilldale submitting the highest bid of \$75,000. The auction was a "reserve auction" meaning the school district had an unrevealed minimum that it would accept, said district spokesman Steve Jensen. The board discussed the matter in executive session, and after discussion with Superintendent William Russell and Hilldale, the final sale price of \$110,000 was agreed to, Jensen said.

Along with the sale of the school, the district also will save about \$80,000 annually on utility costs, he said.

"It's a gigantic parcel," Jensen said.

Hilldale spoke of several other uses for the building, including leasing space to area charitable organizations and theater groups. In addition, Hilldale said the athletic fields could be used by local organizations as long as they maintain them, according to Jensen.

"He's clearly looking to establish a relationship with the community and to not just own a building," he said.

According to Mapes Benjamin Real Estate Auction Co., which handled the auction, the property will be assessed at 80 percent of the selling price. The closing will take place within 30 days.

The school was built in 1958, according to Press & Sun-Bulletin archives, and replaced with a new middle school off Route 96 in 2005.

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