

# The Capital Committee Meeting

Wednesday, June 9, 2021

Ronald Broas, Matthew Furdyna (Ameresco), Marie Johnson, John Lumia, Michael McFarland, Cheryl Migatz, Craig Rebecca (Ameresco), Robert Rubin, John Sharkey (Rhinebeck Architecture), Eddy Sloshower and Antonietta St. George

Meeting Begin Time: 9:05 am

## Approval of Minutes

The committee approved the minutes from the May 5, 2021 meeting.

## Capital Project Update – Rhinebeck Architecture – John Sharkey

### *HVAC Renovations*

#### *Phase 1*

Almost complete

#### *Phase 2*

John Jay work is ongoing; interior piping is near completed.

Summer of 2021 work will be in the boiler room, renovations and unit ventilators for the classrooms will be installed. A one unit-ventilator was installed in a classroom as a demo, everything seems to be working well.

### *John Jay High School Gym Roof*

There were 16 bidders, Titan Roofing was awarded the bid of \$273,900. The original estimate was \$448,000, this estimate included asbestos removal. The testing indicated there was no asbestos found which reflected in the price. There is an issue with availability of materials due to an industry shortage and a plant fire. Insulation that is needed will not be on-site until late October. Titan Roofing supplied us with letters from both vendors and manufacturing companies regarding the shortage in materials. John Sharkey reviewed a few alternate roofing options with the committee, but the committee agreed to protect the roof and wait until the materials come in. The roof is not leaking and there won't be any further damage if we wait until the materials are available. The roof is estimated to take 30 days to complete.

### *Update on Auditorium Drive – Ron Broas*

The district is working with the Town of East Fishkill and Amazon to move the John Jay High School student drop-off to relieve some of the traffic on Route 52. One of the suggestions is to utilize Auditorium Drive with a covered vestibule student drop-off that extends from the school to the road. This project must be approved by the State Education Department. Ron will meet with the Superintendent to further discuss the project status.

### *Myers Corners Elementary School Playground – John Sharkey & Ron Broas*

John Sharkey and Ron Broas met with the principal of Myers Corners Elementary School to discuss the new separate playground for 4<sup>th</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders. John Sharkey received estimates for the equipment that the principal had requested, this estimate was overbudget. The second estimate was within budget with less equipment. Ron suggested that some of the equipment from the existing playground that can't be used by K-3 students, could get moved over to the new playground. John Sharkey and Ron Broas will meet with the principal and the playground representative from GameTime to review and finalize a decision before they make a recommendation to the school board. This will be ready for the next Capital Committee Meeting.

### *Building Condition Survey*

The Five-year Building Condition Survey is complete except for the District Office. The report is in the process of being entered into the New York State Education Department database. Rhinebeck Architecture will have a report for the next meeting.

### *Small Projects*

The district has a 2.2-million-dollar savings from the last project. This money will be used to make repairs around the district. John Sharkey put together a list of small projects the committee has been discussing over the past few years with their estimated costs. The committee is working on compiling a list of projects that fall within the budget. John Sharkey reminded the committee that if you do work on the exterior, you must include a minimum of a \$10,000 project on the interior of the school to receive state aid. The first step for the small projects is to request Rhinebeck Architecture to draw plans. The plans then go to the school board for approval. Once the projects are approved, they are submitted to the State Education Department.

### *Potential Installation of A/C Units In all Buildings*

The committee has suggested that the air conditioning be installed into the schools. They have requested for Rhinebeck Architecture to research the best system for the schools along with the cost.

### *Ameresco Solar Field on Property Donated by Toll Brothers – Fishkill*

Matthew Fudyna and Craig Rebecca of Ameresco attended the Capital Meeting to review the research findings for a solar field and possibly help with the cost of converting part of the property for a cross country practice track so the students aren't running on Route 52. Ameresco works on energy performance contracts as well as solar. The Ameresco solar research team looked into utilizing the donated property into a solar field. The research found that only 8.7 of the 35.56 acres would be usable, the rest of the property faces north and is shaded. There will be a 0% cost savings, however Ameresco would build a cross country track for the students and community. The district only has 17 years left to utilize the property or it reverts to the Town of Fishkill. This project would fulfill the agreement with Toll Brothers. Eddy Slosower will invite Ameresco to the next quarterly municipality meeting to do a presentation.

### *Ameresco Energy Performance Project Update*

Craig Rebecca updated the committee on the present energy performance project. Ameresco is replacing all the fluorescent bulbs with LED lighting throughout the district and replacing all the outside metal halite high pressure sodium lights. The larger part of the project is the rooftop solar. They have started installing panels at Vassar Road Elementary and will move to James Evans Elementary next. Solar panels will also be going on Roy C. Ketcham High, Van Wyck Junior High, Gayhead Elementary, Fishkill Plains Elementary and Brinckerhoff Elementary. Black Electric and AMD Electric are the current electrical contractors. Ameresco is in the process of bidding for one more contractor.

### *Boiler Room at District Office Update*

Ron Broas updated the committee on the conversion from oil to natural gas at the District Office. The boiler has been demolished and the new boiler is expected to be delivered at the end of June. Central Hudson guaranteed that the gas will be run before the winter season. Ameresco will installing computerized controls on the HVAC.

### *Wappingers Junior High Tennis Courts*

The F&O Department found a better location for the Wappingers Junior High tennis courts, a flat area on top of the hill.

Ron Broas will look into the basketball courts at Myers Corners and cleaning up the old cross-country track at Roy C. Ketcham.

Meeting end time 11:00 am

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 7, 2021 at 9:30am