

Capital Improvement Committee Meeting Summary

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Attendees: Ron Broas, Michelle Cardwell, John Fulton (community member), Kurt Jesman, Marie Johnson, John Lumia, Cheryl Migatz, Jen Oppenheim, John Sharkey (Rhinebeck Architecture), Eddy Slosower, Antonietta St. George and Amy Watkins

Meeting start time: 9:31 am

Approval of Minutes

The committee approved the minutes from the September 4th meeting.

Approval of New Community Member to the Capital Committee

The committee unanimously approved Cheryl Migatz to be a Committee Member.

Premier Field Usage

Booster clubs, summer camps and community organizations of The Wappingers Central School District have requested to schedule games on the Districts Premier Turf Fields at both John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham High Schools.

A community member, John Fulton, an East Fishkill Soccer Coach, was a guest speaker representing the East Fishkill Recreation. John stated that many schools in the area are offering to share their turf fields with the communities as a way of giving back. He requested for the community to be able to utilize both the John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham Turf Fields. The community supports the fields with the tax-payers money and the coaches would like to see their kids play on fields before they get into high school to experience the major difference in the fields. It would be a great opportunity for the students and give them confidence to try out for school sports. The booster clubs on average make 50 to 65% of their fund raising from the summer camps.

The Capital Committee has been reviewing the details to possibly organize a program that would achieve this request. The district can work together to figure out the logistics to offer the community members to have a fair chance to utilize the fields. The Committee needs to answer the following questions:

- How many booster clubs?
- How many summer camps?
- How many potential teams?
- How many organizations?
- How many home games does the district have and how to fit other programs into the schedule?

Once they gather all their information, they will put together recommendations and guidelines on how to fairly structure this program and send them over to the policy committee for review. Currently there is no policy on the premium fields. The school board has final say over both the Capital and the Policy Committees.

Kurt Jesman currently has a record of 9 Camps, 5 at Roy C. Ketcham and 4 at John Jay:

1. Wappingers Warriors
2. RCK Football,
3. RCK Girls Soccer,
4. RCK Boys Soccer
5. RCK Field Hockey
6. JJ Boys Soccer
7. JJ Girls Soccer
8. JJ Girls Lacrosse
9. JJ Boys Lacrosse

The committee expressed a concern that with too much use of the fields, the life of the fields will be shortened. There will have to be extra maintenance performed on the fields that will be done by the Facilities and Operations Department staff. There was a suggestion for more practice fields to be installed. The committee reviewed the process to install new practice fields, these fields have to be designed and be submitted to the State Education Department as a Capital Project; this will take more than one year.

Stage Lighting Update for John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham High Schools

The electrical contractor has roughed in the electric for the stage lighting. The stage lighting equipment has been submitted to Barbizon Corp that is located in New York City, the contractor is working on a committed delivery date. The committee questioned why aren't the lights in if the project was put off by one year? The project had been redesigned because of it being overbudget and then was put out for a rebid.

The committee stated that the lights need to be installed and ready to go by the end of the month. The contractor is making every effort to complete both schools by October 23rd.

Vestibules (Smart School Bond Act) Update

The preliminary punch list for the two contractors is in progress, it should be 100% complete in two weeks. Ron is coordinating with a fabricator and the F&O mechanic to weld and paint pieces for a shelf to hold the security kiosk. All visitors must be buzzed in, the Committee suggested hanging signs stating not to enter without being buzzed in. The Security is currently the same as it has been in the past with the one door. The time frame for all the security components to be completed is 6 weeks.

Rhinebeck Architecture

The five-year building condition survey is tentatively up in 2021, but this may be changed by the State Education Department.

Some of the requests to be included are:

- Roy C. Ketcham High School Practice Fields
- John Jay High School Practice Fields (behind gym)
- Wappingers Junior High Tennis Courts
- Van Wyck Junior High has requested Tennis Courts
- Wappingers Junior High Auditorium Seats (too old to refurbish) and make them ADA compliant
- Wappingers Junior High repair crumbling curbs and sidewalks outside; walls inside are crumbling

- Fishkill Elementary parking lot needs to be expanded
- Fishkill Plains Elementary parking lot and drainage
- Bleachers at John Jay High School

Status of Summer Projects

Roof at Fishkill Plains will soon be ready for punch list items.

Window installs are on schedule. Shades will start to be installed at Sheafe Road Elementary tomorrow. Windows will be installed at Gayhead Elementary next, then to Kinry Road Elementary.

Main Transportation Garage (Behind Wappingers Junior High)

Ron Broas has suggested to reorganize the Main Transportation Garage located behind Wappingers Junior High into a centralized parts and tire department. The mechanics can all work at the Fishkill Plains Facility where lifts are being added. This should streamline the work production.

Next month on the agenda will be project suggestions for the voters.

Meeting end time: 11:10am

Next meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2019 at 9:30am at the Facilities and Operations Office