

Capital Improvement Committee Meeting Summary

Wednesday, September 4, 2019

Attendees: Ron Broas, Marie Johnson, Jenn Oppenheim, Robert Rubin, John Sharkey (Rhinebeck Architecture), Eddy Slosower, Antonietta St. George, Amy Watkins and Phil Zemke (Rhinebeck Architecture)

Meeting start time: 10:00am

Eddy Slosower was unanimously voted as Chairman for the Capital Improvement Committee. The committee unanimously voted Jenn Oppenheim as a Committee Member.

Ron Broas reviewed the Facilities & Operations projects completed this summer and projects that will be completed in the next year. (attached table)

Smart School Bond Act (Vestibules)

The Committee suggested to communicate to parents the status of the security vestibules; they are not completed due to the delayed delivery of material. The district should explain that they are an added security measure to the safety procedures that are already in place.

Rhinebeck Architecture

Rhinebeck Architecture passed out a 5-Year Capital Plan Update Report and reviewed what has been completed and what is still outstanding. (attached report)

The Committee suggested that new small projects need to be added, some of the suggestions include:

- Concrete stairs to be replaced
- Floor tiles need to be replaced
- Parking lots need to be replaced
- Drainage needs to be done

Eddy Slosower requested the Committee to review the 5-Year Capital Plan and highlight which projects they feel that are important that should be done next. For the October meeting, the Committee will discuss and prioritize the suggestions based on the recommendations from Ron Broas and Rhinebeck Architecture. Capital improvements should be an ongoing program with small projects being done every year; this would eliminate all the major projects. Rhinebeck Architecture reminded the Committee that an educational component needs to be included in every project. Ron Broas suggested that the district plan should be about \$10 million per year of capital project work instead of \$30-\$50 million projects. The committee has requested for a final cost estimate on the projects completed by the November meeting.

The Wappingers Central School District owns the road that runs through the Wappingers Junior High School. The Committee feels there is a safety issue on Major MacDonald Way and has suggested to post a sign that states "No Through Traffic During School Hours." They would like this issue brought up the Districts Safety Committee and the Transportation Department.

Eddy Slosower has received many phone calls regarding the use of turf fields by community organizations and booster club camps. The majority of the money that booster clubs raise come from these camps. The Committee would like to know the approximate turf timeline life expediency based upon the usage of the turf fields under the guidelines. Kurt Jesman and Joe Luzzi will be invited to the next Capital meeting in October. This will enable the Committee to have a better discussion regarding the parameters and guidelines that we can work out. The summer will only be about a 4 or 5-week time period and will be limited with restrictions. By spring we may need the Policy Committee to make the recommendations and booster club policies in place for full board approval. The Committee questioned if the district can fix up the practice fields at John Jay High School? This will help lacrosse, soccer, field hockey and football. Ron Broas will get an estimate.

\$33 Million HVAC Project Update from Rhinebeck Architecture

The plans and specs for the HVAC Project of the \$33 Million will be brought up to the State Education Department next week for approval. There is approximately a 6-8-week review time frame, it should be completed mid-December. The district will then go out for bid in either January or February. The project will be broken up into phases for the high schools. The first phase will be done in the summer of 2020; this will consist mainly of piping runs and corridors. The summer of 2021 will be branch piping. The roof top units are also gas-fired. In Myers Corners Elementary, only the unit ventilators will be replaced, this will be completed in the summer of 2020.

Roundtable

There was a question concerning how families with disabilities would access the elevators at Myers Corners Elementary School to meet in the library? Ron Broas said to either go to main office for key to the elevator, or if after hours, all the custodians will have the key for the elevator.

There was a suggestion to look into a microphone for hearing aids. As of right now, no one has requested one, but the Committee will look into.

Meeting end time: 11:10am

Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at 9:30am at the Facilities and Operations Office