



PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

Merrimack School District

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Minutes
June 11, 2018

Present: R. Hendricks, S. Sheridan, G. Perry, F. Rothhaus, L. Rothhaus and School Board liaison
A. Schneider

Excused: S. Heinrich

Also present: M. Shevenell, Marge Chiafery, Honeywell representatives: J. Lucie and W. Howe

R. Hendricks called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM.

Re-organization

R. Hendricks asked for nominations for Vice Chair of the Committee.

L. Rothhaus nominated Gage Perry. Second: R. Hendricks. There were no other nominations. R. Hendricks called a vote on the nomination. The vote was unanimous. G. Perry was elected Vice Chair.

R. Hendricks turned the meeting over to G. Perry.

G. Perry asked for nominations for Chair of the Committee.

F. Rothhaus nominated R. Hendricks. Second: S. Sheridan. There were no other nominations. G. Perry called a vote on the nomination. The vote was unanimous. R. Hendricks was elected Chair.

Honeywell Energy Project

R. Hendricks told the Committee that members of Honeywell were present to present results of their recent study of the School District buildings relative to air quality, HVAC and other energy issues.

J. Lucie and W. Howe told the Committee Honeywell completed a study of all schools and presented a report on current energy use and building air quality conditions as well as suggestions for future energy conservation projects.

Discussion included:

- Age and current condition of equipment.
- Variances in air quality readings at each school
- Upgrading all interior and exterior lighting to L.E.D. fixtures.
- Grant funding possibilities
- Many areas in most schools lack mechanical ventilation.

- Current energy savings projects are meeting or exceeding guaranteed savings.
- The natural gas conversion project has been paid off.
- Some boilers do not have a “back-up” in case of power outage.
- Should Homeland do a security review during night-time hours to gauge brightness and location of outside lighting?
- Proposed projects should be prioritized.

J. Lucie and W. Howe thanked the Committee for their input. They indicated that they would have more specifics about the matters discussed within 90 days.

Brentwood purchase

A. Schneider gave an update of the status of the Brentwood property. He said warrant article to purchase the property had passed and the District takes ownership of the site on July 17th.

M. Shevenell told the Committee that Team Engineering had completed an assessment of the current state of the building and their report is now available on the District Website. He said they found there are no liens on the building; there is a buried propane tank; there is some asbestos under the basement tiles which is sealed; while the foundation is in good shape, the slabs under some portions of the building need to be replaced; and the potential cost to bring building into current code – doing no renovations – would be \$500,000.

Members discussed use of building as is, potential renovations with and without gutting the building and levelling the building to build anew. Members felt a tour of the site was warranted.

M. Shevenell will try to arrange a tour for members on July 9th at a time between 5 – 7 PM. Members will be contacted with a definite date and time.

F. Rothhaus and L. Rothhaus left the meeting at 9:04 PM.

Before adjourning the meeting, R. Hendricks told the members that he would contract the School Board chair to discuss status of past charges given to the Committee by the School Board.

Sincerely,

Pat Heinrich