



PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

Merrimack School District

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August 26, 2019

Minutes

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

Excused: S. Sheridan

Also present: M. McLaughlin and M. Shevenell

R. Hendricks called the meeting to order at 7:04 PM.

Election of Officers

S. Heinrich nominated R. Hendricks to serve as Chair. Second: F. Rothhaus. There were no additional nominations. R. Hendricks was unanimously elected Chair.

R. Hendricks nominated G. Perry to serve as Vice Chair. Second: F. Rothhaus. There were no additional nominations. G. Perry was unanimously elected Vice Chair.

L. Rothhaus nominated S. Heinrich to serve as Secretary. Second: R. Hendricks. There were no additional nominations. S. Heinrich was unanimously elected as Secretary.

Review of Turf Field Warrant Article

Discussion regarding the failed warrant article for Turf Field included the following:

- Work with Athletic Director, MYA and the various Booster Clubs
- Need for a district fund for donations
- Sponsors vs. donations
- Whether to put field on warrant next March
- Bond or paid all at once
- Permanent concession stand at the field

New Central Office

Discussion regarding options for a new central Office included the following:

- Estimated cost for
 - A prefab building - \$3.1 million dollars
 - A wood building - \$3.4 million dollars
 - Renovation of the red building - \$3.2 million dollars
 - Demolition of whole building - \$35,000
 - Demolition of selected parts of red building -
- Design of new building to include:

- Smaller (1,000 sq. ft.) conference
 - No basement
- There is a buried propane tank
- Need for a plan for entire area, including location of utilities.

L. Rothhaus made a MOTION to recommend that the School Board obtain an overall, comprehensive, master site plan of the entire high school campus, including Merrimack High School, the “Brentwood” site, the present Administrative building, the present Special Services building, related School District property on O’Gara Drive and a future location of the new Admin office building. Second: S. Heinrich. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

S. Heinrich made a MOTION that since there are so many unknowns and challenges, the Planning and Building Committee does not recommend the renovation of it. Second: R. Hendricks. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

M. McLaughlin suggested that R. Hendricks attend the School Board meeting on October 7th to present the Committee recommendations.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Committee will be September 23rd at 7 PM.

L. Rothhaus made a MOTION to adjourn. Second: S. Heinrich. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

R. Hendricks adjourned the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Heinrich