

**MARPLE NEWTOWN SCHOOL DISTRICT
FACILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE MEETING
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017
BOARD ROOM ~ ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
MINUTES**

PRESENT:

Board: Mrs. Kathryn Chandless, Mr. Matthew Bilker, Mr. Matthew DeNucci, Mrs. Barbara Harvey,

Administration: Dr. Carol Cary, Dr. Connie Bompadre, Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Mr. Michael Dumin

Press: 0

Audience: 15

1. Call to Order

In the absence of Mr. Reynolds, Mrs. Chandless called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Stood on the Pledge of Allegiance from the Budget and Finance Meeting

3. Approval of Minutes

Mrs. Chandless asked for the approval of the minutes for August meeting

With no discussion, the minutes were approved

4. Informational/Discussion Items ~ Facilities

A. Update on completed Summer work

Mr. Jack Gallagher gave the following report:

- Summer cleaning by the Custodial staff
- New pavements and curb lines
- Maintenance of grass and used 400 yards of mulch
- Prepared the fields for sports
- All bike racks were painted orange
- Maintenance of the pool, HVAC, Lighting project, fire alarms
- Stadium renovations

There was a brief discussion following Mr. Gallagher's report. Mr. Bilker took a tour of the buildings prior to school opening. The concert looks good and the buildings look great. Overall nice job.

Mr. Dumin explained that the communication boxes on the field have to be fixed. Should we be using pesticides a notice is posted at the schools 72 hours prior to the use.

There was a suggestion that a Global Connect be put out for the parents to be notified of the treatments.

Mr. Dumin went on to explain that the LED lighting was paid for out of the General Fund, and another building will be done in the spring. The work is done in house.

B. Discussion: Field options for the High School Fields Renovation Project.

Discussion tabled. The Board will let Mr. Dumin when to present the options.

C. Recommendation for a motion to advertise for and receive bids for the New High School Project.

Will take to the full Board for approval

D. Recommendation for a motion to approve a change order for the District Concrete Project for additional concrete and curbing

work, not included in the current project, at a cost not to exceed \$28,500.00.

Mr. Dumin explained that this would be the cost of finishing the project. There are areas that were not in the original spec that should be replaced to make the project look complete.

- E. Recommendation for a motion to permit MNSA under 15 Boys Soccer to use the High School Stadium for games on Sundays October 1, 2017 and November 5, 2017 from noon to 3:00 PM.

Will take to the full Board for approval

- F. Recommendation for a motion to authorize the administration to lock in an electric supply contract for the school years 2019-20 and 2020-21 through Provident Energy Consulting, LLC.

Will take to the full Board for approval

5. Information/Discussion Items ~ Transportation

- A. Update on the startup of the Transfinder software

Mr. Dumin was giving an update on the Transfinder software which led to a lengthy discussion with the parents in the audience. Parents complained that the buses were arriving late at two of the Elementary schools, Loomis and Culbertson. They were also concerned about where students were being picked up and dropped off. They were concerned about the safety of the students in some situations.

Mr. Dumin will contact the Principals about buses arriving late. He will also look into the other issues that the parents brought to his attention.

6. Other Business

Mr. Dumin asked for two motions to be put on the Agenda of the Regular Meeting at the end of the month. First motion would

be to dispose of exercise equipment at Paxon Hollow. The second motion would be to have the Federal Pacific Electric Panels replaced and approve to put out to bid for this replacement.

7. Public Comment

The subject of class sizes was brought up.

It was suggested to talk with Dr. Cary about this and other issues before next week.

8. Adjournment

Mrs. Chandless adjourned the meeting at 8:20 PM