

PARK RIDGE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 30, 2023

Public Started: 2:00 P.M.

Public Ended: 2:14 P.M.

Board of Education Conference Room

I. Roll Call

J. Bucco	J. Pierotti	N. Agoos	L. Sum	D. Clare	A. Wagner	D. Bradler
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Also Present:

R. Gamper	R. Wright
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II. Pledge of Allegiance – was led by Vice President, Amara Wagner

III. Open Public Meetings Statement was read by Vice President, Amara Wagner

This is to advise the general public and to instruct that it be recorded in the minutes that in compliance with Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, entitled the "Open Public Meetings Act," the Park Ridge Board of Education on January 25, 2023, caused to be posted at the Office of the Board of Education located at 85 Pascack Road, Park Ridge, New Jersey and on January 25, 2023, sent to The Record, 1 Garret Mountain Plaza, P.O. Box 471, Woodland Park, NJ 07424-0471 and The Ridgewood News, 41 Oak Street, Ridgewood, NJ 07450-3805 and on January 25, 2023, delivered to the Office of the Municipal Clerk of Park Ridge and the Park Ridge Public Library a meeting notice setting forth the time, date and location of this meeting.

IV. Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the Finance and Buildings and Grounds resolutions. There were several questions on the grants and funding. Mr. Wright explained that the conventional wisdom was to apply early but that additional grant proposals could be submitted up to May.

Mr. Wright then explained that the West Ridge Bathroom Renovation was being awarded to the second low bidder due to the low bidder having defects in their bid.

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VI. FINANCE RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

- F1. WHEAREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education desires to apply for and obtain a grant from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs for approximately \$850,000.00 to carry out a project to Renovate five (5) tennis courts located on school property.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Park Ridge Board of Education does hereby authorize the application for such a grant; and, recognizes and accepts that the Department may offer a lesser or greater amount and therefore, upon receipt of the grant agreement from the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, does further authorize the execution of any such grant agreement; and also, upon receipt of the fully executed agreement from the Department, does further authorize the expenditure of funds pursuant to the terms of the agreement between the Park Ridge Board of Education and the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs.

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VII. BUILDING AND GROUND RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools in conjunction with the Business Administrator/Board Secretary that the following actions be taken:

- BG1. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Park Ridge Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning East Brook Elementary HVAC upgrades to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and an amendment to the District's Long Range Facility Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a "Regular Operating District Grant" project and the Board of Education is seeking State funding but will fund the remaining portion of the Project through the District's Capital Reserve Account.

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- BG2. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Park Ridge Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning West Ridge Elementary HVAC upgrades to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and an amendment to the District's Long Range Facility Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a "Regular Operating District Grant" project and the Board of Education is seeking State funding but will fund the remaining portion of the Project through the District's Capital Reserve Account.

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- BG3. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Park Ridge Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning West Ridge Elementary drainage improvements to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and an amendment to the District's Long Range Facility Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a "Regular Operating District Grant" project and the Board of Education is seeking State funding but will fund the remaining portion of the Project through the District's Capital Reserve Account.

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- BG4. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Park Ridge Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning District wide Fiber installation to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and an amendment to the District's Long Range Facility Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a "Regular Operating District Grant" project and the Board of Education is seeking State funding but will fund the remaining portion of the Project through the District's Capital Reserve Account.

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- BG5. RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Park Ridge Board of Education, in the County of Bergen, New Jersey authorizes Parette Somjen Architects to submit all necessary plans and paperwork to the Department of Education concerning High School Locker Room renovations to serve as an application to the Office of School Facilities and an amendment to the District's Long Range Facility Plan; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, this project shall be a "Regular Operating District Grant" project and the Board of Education is seeking State funding but will fund the remaining portion of the Project through the District's Capital Reserve Account.

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- BG6. WHEREAS, the Park Ridge Board of Education received bids on Wednesday, January 18,

2023, for the Project known as West Ridge Elementary School Bathroom renovations and;

WHEREAS the Board received a total of ten (10) bids as follows:

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Base Bid</u>
A&M Contracting (Amtek Consulting)	\$300,000
Aero Plumbing	\$529,000
ATG Inc.	\$499,000
B. Puntasecca Contractors, Inc.	\$447,890
BGD Contracting	\$357,000
Billy Contracting and Restoration Inc.	\$322,000
LaRocca, Inc.	\$422,000
Northeast Construction Services LLC	\$323,000
Northeaster Interior Services LLC	\$391,000
Tri-Plex Industries, Inc.	\$447,000

AND WHEREAS, the apparent low bidder, A&M Contracting did not provide a bid bond in compliance with N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-24 and did not acknowledge the receipt of a supplied addendum, rendering its bid nonresponsive, and;

WHEREAS, the second apparent low bidder, Billy Contracting and Restoration Inc., was compliant with all the required documents,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Park Ridge Board of Education awards the West Ridge Elementary Bathroom Renovation project to Billy Contracting and Restoration Inc. as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$322,000.

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V. ADJOURNMENT

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Robert Wright
Business Administrator/Board Secretary