

GENERAL SERVICES MEETING

04/28/2025 [04:00 PM-05:00 PM] @ Board of Directors Room

1. Call to Order

Minutes

Mrs. Renz called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Minutes

Members in Attendance: Joshua Cysyk, Ganesh Harinath, Jennifer Renz, and Ericka Schmidt

Citizen Advisors in Attendance: Cindy Jackson, Daniel Lauria, and Nicholas Stoops

Citizen Advisors Absent: Elizabeth Claypoole

Non-Voting Members in Attendance: Michele Agee, John Fready, Carol Pitts, Jason Reifsnyder, and Stacy Winslow (virtually)

Staff/Public in Attendance: Mary Beth Brennan, Anthony Colestock, Lindsay Drew, Sarah Harmer, Melanie Heckel, Jesse Mercado, Stewart McCarver, Jared Nicholson, Jason Reifsnyder, Mike Rizzo, Honesta Romberger, and Tracey Royo

3. Approval of Summary Minutes

Minutes

Following a motion by Dr. Cysyk, and a second by Mrs. Schmidt, the Minutes were approved.

4. Unfinished Business

4.a. Elementary Project Presentation - CRA - Anthony Colestock

Minutes

Mr. Colestock shared the following on the elementary project update:

- scheduled to have faculty meetings to review the interior design layouts of the classrooms in May
- design development of floor plans
- MEP consultant discussing and establishing a basis of design for the mechanical system, plumbing fixtures and electrical system
- brought in a structural engineer to start coordination with their design of the structural system of the building to prep for land development submission
- civil engineering will need a traffic study done and an infiltration test to determine the stormwater management design
- considerations for removing stormwater from the roof, street, and parking area and into some type of stormwater detention area
- developing interior design layouts/populating areas with furniture layouts, review with staff and apply feedback
- once layouts are established they'll be passed to the electrical and plumbing engineers to work with
- will meet with special education staff to understand their needs to fit out their spaces - ongoing discussions
- continually ensuring design is code compliant
- monitoring impacts of tariffs
- currently subcontractors are only holding their bid numbers for 24 hours
- anticipating bids within the next year or two - material cost increase of about 2 to 3% depending on location

- will be careful with the materials to maintain the educational program

4.b. Storm Water Basin Remediation Update

Minutes

Mr. Fready shared an update on the Storm Water Remediation:

- in addition to the proposed excavation project, there were a few sink holes to be addressed
- March 4, there was a walkthrough to confirm completion
- March 5, there was heavy rain
- March 6, the sink hole reopened
- excavator was contacted and returned to address the hole
- April 1, a depression in the same location then reopened a few days later
- Rettew and Custer Excavating were contacted and were on site to begin remediation on April 25th
- no throat or considerable rock were observed, appears to have been soil settlement
- 5 loads of stone were put in the bottom to help with draining
- remediation and seeding to be completed on April 29th
- once grass is established the Township will conduct a final inspection and work to close out the open permit

5. New Business

5.a. KPN/Gordian Presentation

Minutes

Mary Beth Brennan from Gordian shared the following in her presentation: She was joined by Jesse Mercado from Lobar Associates:

- Keystone Purchasing network add cooperative purchasing - based out of CAIU 16
- PEPPM a sister program that is for technology purchases - based out of CAIU 16
- membership is free with no obligations
- contracts are managed by the cooperative
- members have access to volume discount pricing from reputable companies
- eliminates advertising costs, time associated with researching products, writing specifications, evaluating sealed bid responses
- members avoid accepting a "low bid" contractor
- fixed pricing for up to a year then engineers reevaluate and adjust the catalog for the next year
- ezIQC Contracts Cover
 - accelerated project delivery
 - prevailing and non-prevailing wages
 - payment and performance bonds
 - MBE/WBE Requirements
 - warranty on completed work
- when using Gordian's ezIQC Program
 - change orders do not happen so that the contractor can make more money off you
 - the catalog of costs that the contractor uses is fixed throughout the entire calendar year
 - if you receive a price through a public bid, that low bid price is likely to change for the same scope of work at the end of the year
 - projects can be executed much faster than the time it takes to perform a public bid
 - awarded locally with local subcontractor participation
 - proposals can be revised to meet budget
 - performance-based contracts = quality work

Following a motion by Dr. Cysyk, with a second by Mrs. Schmidt, the committee approved a recommendation to the full board to proceed with KPN and Gordian.

6. Public Comment

Minutes

There were no citizens with comments or questions for the committee.

7. Next General Services Meeting - May 27, 2025

8. Adjournment

Minutes

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m. with a motion from Dr. Cysyk followed by a second from Mrs. Schmidt.