

Minutes of Maple Valley School Board

Meeting: Building Committee

Location: Tower City, ND

Date: June 3, 2025

Present: George Richman, Bryce Kasowski, Joey Bata, Cassandra Preston, Cathy Janish, Daniel Larson, Jon Rumppe (Cass County Government Representative)

1. Call to Order: 5:30 pm by Joey Bata
2. Building and Grounds Items for Spring and Summer Projects
 - a. Old 10 and parking lot project

Jon Rumppe confirmed that Cass County will complete the Old 10 Project. As part of the project, the school will receive three storm sewer inlets installed at a depth of 5 to 7 feet below grade. KLJ secured the necessary right-of-way through the end of the project or for a period of five years. Although Cass County initially requested only temporary access, it was determined that permanent access was required.

A proposal was submitted to cover the \$9,394.38 cost difference for the acquisition of property from Ellsbury to Tower City, specifically Lots 10, 11, and the southern 28 feet of Lot 22 in Block 28 of Ellsbury's Second Addition to the City of Tower City. The first payment of \$7,165.62 was approved on March 6, 2025.

If Cass County assumes ownership of the ditch and constructs a sidewalk through town, the City of Tower City will be responsible for its maintenance. Cass County will also cover any legal expenses associated with purchase of property. No trees or signage will be permitted on the acquired property. A recommendation was made to approve the proposal, including the 28-foot width, at the board meeting held on June 23.

- b. Steel from the colony

Badger submitted a quote of \$7,000 to install new tin roofing on the Buffalo storage building. During the discussion, the board considered whether to sell the property and instead expand the garage in Tower City. While the tin on the Buffalo building does need repairs, the decision was postponed until the board could revisit the site and assess the necessary work. Further consideration will then be given to potentially investing in the Tower City garage.

- c. HVAC – 2018 addition

G&R Controls provided a quote of \$40,000. Dan also consulted with Keith's, who noted that the building currently has poor air circulation. To help address the issue, the dampers in the elementary wing have been closed off for the summer as a test to improve airflow. Over 80% of the ceiling tiles in that wing have already been replaced. At this time, no further action is being taken.

3. Miscellaneous
 - a. Cass County Right of Way Property Sale – Regular board agenda point.
4. Adjournment: 6:45 pm