



General Services Standing Committee Meeting January 12, 2015 Summary Minutes

1. Call to Order

Minutes: The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Brian Shiflett, Committee Chair.

2. Roll Call

Members in attendance were: Malcolm Garrett (Citizen Advisor), Bruce Hancock, Julie Neal, Brian Shiflett and Maryellen Sheehan (Substituting for Jay Franklin)

Members not in attendance were: Jayanth Franklin, Daniel Lauria

Staff/Public in attendance were: Mike Frentz, Joe McFarland, and Dan Tredinnick (Representing the Administration)

3. Approval of Summary Minutes

Minutes: The committee approved the summary minutes for the November 10, 2014, General Services Standing Committee meeting.

4. Old Business

4.1 Capital Improvement Plan

Minutes: Mr. Frentz walked through the draft Capital Improvement Plan. The plan now contains project-specific budgetary data for the next five fiscal years. The Administration is still gathering justification data from the departments. To fund most of the capital improvement costs, the Administration is planning to budget for Capital Reserve Fund transfers from the General Fund in the next fiscal year and beyond.

4.2 Commercial Sponsorships and Partnerships

Minutes: The committee discussed the Market Street Sports Group presentation given at the November 10, 2014, committee meeting. The Administration recommends that the board and General Services Committee consider using the 2015-16 school year as a planning year for preparing for commercial sponsorships and partnerships. The committee agreed with the Administration's recommendation. Mr. McFarland will reach out to Market Street Sports Group and let them know our District's direction.

The committee also discussed the upcoming physical therapy services RFP and the opportunity to integrate corporate sponsorship elements into the document.

5. New Business

5.1 Natural Gas Contract Extension

Minutes: Mr. Frentz explained that the District currently procures its natural gas through the Central PA Energy Consortium (CPEC), which contracts with Siemens Pace Global as its procurement advisor. Through this arrangement, the district's current natural gas supplier is South Jersey Energy, and the contract expires October 2015. CPEC informed the District of a drop in the cost of transmission from South Jersey Energy to UGI. CPEC is recommending the District extend the existing contract through July 2016 so that they can blend in the cost reductions. Mr. Frentz estimates that the extension may result in a 10 percent reduction in natural gas cost, roughly \$25,000 over the course of the year. Following a discussion, the committee recommended that the Administration extend the CPEC contract through July 2016. The item will be on the January 12, 2015, board meeting agenda.

6. Public Comment

Minutes: None.

7. Adjournment

Minutes: The next General Services Standing Committee meeting will be held February 9, 2015, at 5:00 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:39 p.m.