Rutland City Public Schools

Ballot Informational Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2026

Board Members Present: Charlene Seward, Chair	**Also Present:** Pam Reed, Superintendent Ted Plemenos, CFO **Community Members:** Alexandra Perone

Call to Order
Meeting started promptly at 6:00 p.m.

Ted reviewed the ballot language that will be presented to voters tomorrow, and a simpler version.

He highlighted the key points that were presented to voters in the Rutland Herald advertisement. He emphasized that the fund will not raise property tax and no additional funds are needed. He noted that the funds will be used for repairs and equipment- safety and energy efficiency. There is strict oversight by the School Board and VT AOE.

Ted shared that school board members had suggested setting up a capital reserve fund; many other districts have such a fund, and it gives the Board additional governance and budget stewardship oversight. He shared that, in addition to School Board approval, state law requires voter approval. If the voters approve the fund, the School Board will decide the amount of funding each year.

Ted explained the potential scope of expenditures, such as the RIMS cafeteria, accessibility renovations, and infrastructure improvements.

Questions focused on building needs, upcoming anticipated and unexpected costs, and the timing of identifying the amount to be transitioned to the capital fund were addressed.

The Information Session ended at 6:35 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pamela Reed, Superintendent