



PLANNING & BUILDING COMMITTEE

Merrimack School District

Minutes
November 28, 2022

Present: R. Hendricks, N. Schoenfeld, M. Alukonis, F. Rothhaus, G. Perry, S. Albuquerque and School Board Liaison L. Rothhaus

Also Present: Assistant Superintendent for Business M. Shevenell and Engineer S. Keach

R. Hendricks called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Approval of Prior Minutes

G. Perry made a MOTION to approve the Minutes from May 9 2009. Second: S. Albuquerque. MOTION PASSED unanimously.

R. Hendricks said the Committee had received a right to know request for the May minutes. F. Rothhaus suggested that the Committee consider posting draft minutes. It was noted that School District Committees do not post minutes until after they are approved but has and will provide draft minutes if anyone asks for them.

Master Plan Discussion

M. Shevenell said that he and S. Keach had met with Chief Educational Officer B. Olsen and Maintenance Director Tom Touseau. He said Administration plans to put some funds for some initial work for implementation of the master plan in the 2023-2024 operating budget.

S. Keach said, at this point, the master plan includes the following:

1. Demolish Brentwood and the SpEd Building
2. Survey the entire site
3. Re-design and expand the parking lot.
4. Connect Woodbury, O’Gara and McElwain Streets.
5. Limit parking lot access/egress points.
6. Improve “emergency access” entrance to the Everett Turnpike
7. Move light stanchions.
8. Add or extend sidewalks.
9. Create separate faculty and student parking lots

Committee Discussion included the following;

- The sand pit
- The bus loop around the high school
- Possibility of using excavation material to build the berm.
- Promote using Woodbury to exit the site if driving south on D.W. Highway.

- There are currently 256 total parking spaces at the high school
- Replace (and possibly install additional) light poles with proper LED poles.
- Can the parking lot be done in one summer?
- Concern for impact of expansion of Everett Turnpike on Baboosic Lake Road
- Need to consider plowing and snow storage.
- Storm water issues.
- Supply chain issues still exist.
- Use for the 1 acre of land adjacent to the parking lot, near Brentwood.
- Parking along O’Gara near the JMUES sports field(s).

At 9:00 PM S. Albuquerque made a MOTION to adjourn. Second: M. Alukonis.

R. Hendricks declared the meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Heinrich