

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT
Property Committee
May 11th - 7:30 PM
HS Conference Room/Virtual Meeting
Minutes

Attendees: Linda Fazzini, Wendy Earle, Dave Boyer, Robert Rizzo, Will Cromley, Tom DiBello, and Robert Hunter

Acceptance of the Meeting Minutes by Tom DiBello and Linda Fazzini

Ongoing Business – Operations

- A. McNelly Stadium Occupancy Update
 - 1. We discussed the egress expansion project went out for public bid and gave a tentative timeline of the project milestones from bid opening to construction completion. Bids were due on 5/17/21.
 - i. **Update 5/18/21: We received 1 bid for the project which came in at \$636,800. This proposal came in higher than our original Keystone Purchasing Network Contractor estimate which is why the project went out to public bid in the first place. Next steps for this project will be an agenda item for June's Property Meeting.**
- B. Facilities Master Plan Update
 - 1. Recap that ICS consulting was approved at the May 2020 Board meeting to develop the Facilities Master Plan and that it was put on hold due to COVID 19 preparation for School opening last year.
 - 2. We discussed the project restart, and that the FMP is the third component of the long-range planning process that ties together the Facility Condition Assessment and the Demographic/Enrollment study that has already been completed.
 - 3. Focused areas of the project have been:
 - i. Cost neutral project funding through GESA (Guaranteed Energy Savings Act)
 - ii. Continued Capital Reserve project identification and planning through Spring-Ford Operations
 - iii. Renovation and expansion options based on student growth and building needs
 - 4. We discussed that we are currently working with CFO to build out 10 year budget models that take into account the different funding options available to the district.

New Business – Operations

- A. Pumping Station Easement Request on 9th GC property
 - 1. We discussed Royersford Borough is selling their sewage pumping station to Pennsylvania-American Water Company and the sale requires an agreement of easement. This pumping station is located in the back of the 9th Grade Center. This easement agreement will be an action item for board approval.
 - 2. We also discussed an easement agreement requested by Royersford Borough for access to sanitary sewer lines. These sewer lines run through the property of Royersford Elementary School. This easement agreement will be an action item for board approval.
- B. Oaks Elementary walking path to Black Rock Road
 - 1. We discussed an issue reported by a neighbor on the walking path in front of the school. The area in question used to be the old road that connected Black rock road into the school which has been turned into a walking path when the housing development created a new entrance to the school many years ago. The issue identified was a section of a concrete wall attached to the bridge fell into the creek. The creek bank has been cordoned off and there are no immediate safety concerns to pedestrians. We are currently conducting a title search to determine who owns the property between Upper Providence Township and the District and ultimately responsible for the repairs to the bridge.

Ongoing Business - School Police and Emergency Management

A. Projects and initiatives

- SFSP provides Rapid Antigen Testing every Monday 0600-0800.
- Daily Traffic Control at HS, 9GC, 8GC, 567 Flex, UPE and EES including crossing guard details at LES.
- Security Patrols at each school from 0630 until events conclude each evening's extra circular event. Nine more major events to cover for this school year.
- SFSP has investigated several S2SS Tips 99 this school year. There was discussion from:
 1. Dr. Wright as to increases from last year in relation to the pandemic shutdowns.
 2. Dr. Wright also asked about the nature of the tips (Mental Health, Vaping, Drug Violations, etc.)
- We are delivering and re-stocking PPE at each school.
 1. Chief Boyer is preparing for next year's first quarter ordering of PPE with Mr. Fink.
- District Wide Sign Project is completed.
- Spring-Ford Comprehensive Threat Assessment Guidelines and Procedures. This will include Threat Assessment Teams at each school and monthly school and district wide threat assessment meetings.
 1. Dr. Wright asked about the process. Chief Boyer advised it is a multidisciplinary approach to solve problems with three goals. (Prevent Violence, help troubled students, Avoid over-reactions to student misbehavior)
- Don Fantry from the Montgomery County Safe School Coordination Office has started our District wide Assessment of Safety and Security. OES and UPES assessments are almost completed.

B. Grants:

- Chief Boyer is looking into the MTF Grant for traffic and lighting improvements. We are researching options with our municipal partners.
 1. Mr. DiBello and Mr. Cromley gave us a history of the issues associated with constructing a secondary access point in the vicinity of the graveyard behind the SFAHS.
 2. Mr. Dibello suggested maybe looking at access through Spring Street to 9th Avenue in Royersford Borough.
 3. I described the proposed lighting improvements and the current safety concerns on South Lewis Road in front of the SFAHS and 9th Grade Center.

C. Training / PD

- PA Act 180 Legal Update training to be completed by all School Police Officers prior to 6/2021. This is a mandatory compliance item for Act 67 Safe Schools School Police Officers.
- All officers will complete mandatory firearms and tactics training on 5/18/2021.

D. Meeting Updates:

- No meetings attended this month outside of the school district.
- I will be attending Montgomery County Emergency Management Coordinators Training this month.

E. New Business:

Chief Boyer is presenting the District Wide Security Camera Replacement and Upgrade Plan on 5/14/2021. This Plan will include the replacement and upgrade budget schedule for Mr. Rizzo and Mr. Fink to review. This schedule will encompass all of our schools, district office, facilities building and critical infrastructure. The Plan is very flexible to allow the district options to navigate the duration of the project for the least financial impact.

Other Business:

- A. We discussed contracted cleaning staffing shortages experienced this school year. Our contractors have experienced challenges with recruiting and retaining both and full time and part time custodial workers. Administration is working on solutions to prevent short staffing for this upcoming school year that will be shared at the June property meeting.

Actionable Items:

- A. 9th Grade Center easement agreement for the pumping station on the Board agenda for approval.
- B. Royersford Elementary sanitary sewer easement agreement on the Board agenda for approval.

Needs for Next Meeting:

Board Comment: