

SPRING-FORD AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

Property Committee

February 29, 2016 – 6:30 PM

District Office – Conference Room

AGENDA

Attendees: Dr. Goodin, Joseph Ciresi, Tom DiBello, Todd Wolf, Colleen Zasowski, Mark Dehnert, Bruce Cooper, Public Guest Attendees: William Cromley, Jason Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates: Jeff Straub, Leah Shiley, Doug Rohrbaugh

MINUTES

1. Approval of the Minutes
2. Oaks Walking Path: There was discussion regarding Oaks adding a walking path to be funded by their Home and School. It was mentioned that Bruce would attend a meeting with the Home and School on Friday 3/4/16 to look at the location of the path to make sure this will not interfere with any future plans or school operation. There will be no cost to the district for this walking path and it will be placed on the board agenda as an information item.
3. Replacement chiller per capital plan at the 8th grade building: It was discussed that the chiller at the 8th grade center which is in the 20 year capital plan to be replaced due to its age and condition would be added on the agenda to be replaced with a new energy efficient 410 Freon to replace the old outdated R22. This will be an energy savings for the district and will be placed on the agenda to purchase the chiller thru State Contract. The disconnection and reconnection will be completed in-house. The total cost for this chiller will be approx. \$120,000.
4. LED lights for summer project in parking lots: There was discussion on replacing the parking lot lights (high pressure sodium) with new LED lights for the next phase as per the 20 year Capitol project plan. This is to replace the original lights for energy efficiency which will create electrical savings for the district, lengthen the time of the lights, and create a longer life span of the lights. This will be placed on the agenda for approval. The total cost will not exceed \$60,000.
5. Interest to purchase the 199 Bechtel Road Property: There was discussion if we receive any interest in the property we would forward on to be discussed at the Executive Session.

6. Sound Boards and Light Boards at the 9th grade and High School Auditoriums: There was discussion that the maintenance person who works on these lights will be working with the Technology Department and Center Stage Lighting to develop the best option for use.
7. Snow Removal: There was discussion on the equipment that we have to remove snow in a timelier manner. We will be looking into adding improved attachments for the existing equipment we have to remove the snow in a more efficient and timely manner.
8. Use of the 8th Grade Softball fields for the SFYAL during the summer months: There was discussion on a request that came from the SFYAL to use the fields at the 8th grade center and to create two new fields. This request would interfere with the school use of the existing fields and also interfere with the gym classes that use this area on a daily basis. It was decided not to allow the SFYAL to change the field layouts and the use of this area. They will have to find other places within the district if needed.
9. Using Limerick Elementary School for Polling at Election: There was a request that was presented to use the Limerick Elementary School for a polling location for the township. It was discussed since the schools are closed for Election Day this would not be an issue and would be permitted.
10. Discussion on locations of Geo Thermal Fields within the district: There was an update given regarding the Geo Thermal Fields location. The last phase of this work has to be completed by large trucks with air excavation. Due to the past winter fluctuating between hot and cold it is impossible to get these trucks on the field without destroying and making ruts throughout the field. This work will be completed as soon as the weather permits and the trucks can access the fields without causing damage.
11. Update on Library Furniture at the 8th grade center: An update was given that the Library furniture for the 8th grade center was installed and is completed.
12. Update on bids for All-Weather Track: The bids will be received on March 8, 2016 for the re-coating and re-lining of the all-weather track at McNelly stadium. This will be placed on the board agenda for approval once the bids are received and reviewed.
13. Rental house at Gottshall Property: There was discussion that as soon as Maintenance Personnel has time they will go in and do the cosmetic work needed for the property and the house. We will then look for a tenant to rent the property.
14. Discussion and Review of the Feasibility Study: Crabtree attended the meeting to give an update on the Feasibility Study on where we stand today which includes both Elementary and High Schools. The elementary schools at the present time are being evaluated for the growth which is occurring in the elementary school areas. At the

present time they are working with the Principals and Administration to look at the usage of the building to see if these buildings are being used at the potential of the PDE design. Once all of this data is gathered and a report is done this will come back to the board with the options that are needed to correct any problems. After review of the high school usage it was found that the Physical Education space and the Performing Arts area are undersized for the amount of students that use these areas. There were meetings with both the Principals and Instructional staff at both areas to see what their needs require and a full review of these areas was completed. The next meeting will be a discussion with the parents and students to complete the Feasibility portion of the high school and come back with options to help correct and improve the areas within the high school. It was noted Tom DiBello mentioned that he wanted to go on record stating that he is not in support of any building additions at the high school for these areas. There was a lot of discussion between the board members and guests regarding these issues. Questions were asked of the architect so they can come back with a more complete detailed report. This report will be brought back after all the information is gathered for the next property meeting.