

Facilities Advisory Committee

Meeting location: Barrington Middle School

October 10, 2019

- Mr. Messore stated: Trying to maintain longevity in the facilities committee to continue the work we've done efficiently and longitudinally
- Motion to approve the April minutes was carried.
- Looking through the RFP for a "Master Plan"; edits include:
 - Looking to this plan as a 20 year plan
 - Using the RIDE funding to include a landscaping plan, which would also include the town fields beyond the schools. Makes sense to do these simultaneously; needs to be bid out separately pending approval.
 - Plan will need to hire a landscape architect as well.
 - This plan should also hit the requirements for RIDE's 5 year review.
 - There is also an ad hoc committee that is currently looking at the fields; town might be interested in contributing to the cost of a study.
- Significant field time on school grounds is utilized by non-school related activities.
- We're going to look at EG's field utilization report to assess its usefulness to our purposes.
- Would it make sense to keep these studies separate? Or bring in a sub consultant for the landscaping piece?
- And we can select some sub consultants once they've brought their team in, reserving the right to amend the team as needed.
- We'll need stage 1 and stage 2 schematics as part of the 5 year plan as a deliverable
- We will want freedom of movement based on the results of the master plan, and based on satisfaction with the group of consultants
- So they'll give us a variety of different options that will give us the ability to go to the town with evidence if bonds are necessary
- Plan is to have the RFP out by the beginning of 2020.
- Conversation with the town regarding fields could also take place in the meantime.
- January or February meeting would be a good target for interviewing bidders.
- They could also help with bond meetings if it's in the contract.
- Study will encompass a year to 18 months
- We can prioritize capital repairs at the front end if there's a desperate need
- Could also subcontract our enrollment for this study
- Good news regarding reimbursement: we got 45% reimbursement on the Middle School project, 5 million dollars extra for the town.
- Population is due to increase; already 50 students away from the max in the brand new Middle School
- Updated RFP will be sent in advance of November meeting.