RSU #38 Facilities Committee Minutes August 29, 2018

Present: Supt. Jay Charette, Facilities Director Shaun Drinkwater, Finance Manager Brigette Williams, School Board Members Betty Morrell, Gary Carr, Kaleb Pushard, and Alex Wright, Tyler Barter from Oak Point Associates

1. Review proposed projects for bond. Those present reviewed the latest project list presented by Tyler Barter, Oak Point Associates.

Discussion followed on the various projects. School board members were in consensus that the most recent project list in the amount of \$5,843,710 should be sent forward for approval to the full school board as the amount to put forward for a bond. There was also discussion on the length of the bond. It was decided to have this discussion and decision be brought before the entire school board. Brigette Williams will have some estimates from the Maine Municipal Bond Bank as to interest rates and yearly payments of interest and principal for a 10 year bond, a 15 year bond, and a 20 year bond prior to the school board meeting on Wednesday, September 5, 2018.

Discussion continued on when to have a referendum vote on the bond. Tyler Barter, Oak Point Assoc., stated the national voting day in November is too tight for town posting requirements and public hearings in the towns to explain the work that needs to be done. Tyler also stated that if we wait until June 2019, the next town voting day, then the estimated costs that have been presented may increase and work would not be able to be completed until the summer of 2020, based on architect and engineering work and availability of contractor that late in the year.

The committee agreed to try to hold a special referendum in each town the week of January 7 - 11, 2019. This would allow for town posting requirements, public hearings, and for Oak Point to complete architect and engineering work so that projects could be done during the summer of 2019. (Tyler Barter left at the end of this discussion.)

2. Snow Plow, Sand/Salt Bids. The bids were reviewed for cost and vendor equipment. After input from Facilities Director Shaun Drinkwater, it was the consensus of the school board members on the committee to recommend staying with the current snow plow contractors based on the vendor equipment.