

BARRINGTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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Minutes of the Joint School Committee Meeting and Barrington Middle School Building Committee Meeting 01/11/2017

The Barrington School Committee met with the Barrington Middle School Building Committee in open session on Monday, January 11, 2017 in the Barrington Middle School Library. School Committee Chair Kate D. Brody called the School Committee meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. Present were Mrs. Brody, Mrs. Clancy and Dr. Douglas. Absent were Mr. Alessandro and Mrs. Pine.

Mr. Guida provided a synopsis of the Town Council Meeting on January 9, 2017. Building Committee Co-Chairs Mrs. Clancy, Mr. Guida and Mr. Zawatsky, with Mr. Messore and Mr. Tarro, participated in a presentation to update the Town Council on the BMS Building Project. The Town Council approved, by unanimous vote, a motion to authorize the Town Finance Director to request permission from the Rhode Island Department of Revenue to exceed the 4% tax cap. In addition, the Town Council approved, by unanimous vote, a motion to schedule a Special Financial Town Meeting to have Barrington voters consider approval of the request to exceed the 4% tax cap.

Mrs. Clancy asked whether the Building Committee might consider reactivation of the BMS Building Project Communications Ad Hoc Committee and the topic will be included on the agenda for the next Building Committee. The consensus of the Building Committee was that it would be beneficial to consider that plan.

Mr. Zawatsky provided an update relative to the December 21 meeting with Dr. Joseph da Silva, School Construction Coordinator, School Building Authority, Rhode Island Department of Education (RIDE) to review the schematic design documentation and the Stage III application. Dr. da Silva requested a budget reconciliation as a condition precedent to moving to Design Development. He shared positive feedback relative to the progress from Schematic Design with his strong endorsement for the project.

Mr. Sam Bradner, Peregrine Group, Owner's Project Manager, provided a synopsis of the downward progression of the building footprint to meet the budget threshold and reviewed the scope and categories for the value engineering process.

Mr. Dan Tavares, consultant with Peregrine Group, reviewed the viable options for recommendations without major compromises to the design plan as defined in the following three categories: value engineering items, scope confirmation items and alternates. In response to a question from Mrs. Brody, Mr. Tavares confirmed that there will be ongoing and open communication with the Owner (Administration) relative to all options under consideration.

Mr. Mark Hanchar, community member and member of the Barrington High School Building Committee, made the following suggestions relative to best practice models: use of a value management log reported out on a biweekly basis and use of a Risk Register to evaluate three contingencies (Design, Construction, and Project.) Mr. Hanchar noted that it is critical to have confirmed validity for the

geotechnical report, as “unknown unknowns” factors had created a problem for the Barrington High School building project.

Mr. Larry Trim, Kaestle Boos Associates, provided an Architect’s Report and informed the Building Committee that the Department of Transportation meeting relative to the Lincoln Avenue/Middle Highway intersection had been postponed to the end of January. He stated that the estimated \$300,000 cost for full funding of the project is not eligible for reimbursement by RIDE and that it will be necessary to evaluate alternate funding sources for that component of the project.

Mr. Zawatsky reiterated his request for the design decision matrix as a document to preserve the integrity of the process and requested specific deliverables for the next Building Committee meeting on February 13, 2017.

Mrs. Clancy moved and Dr. Douglas seconded the motion to adjourn the School Committee meeting at 8:17 p.m. The motion passed 3-0 with Mrs. Brody, Mrs. Clancy and Dr. Douglas voting in the affirmative for the motion.