

**Slate Valley Unified Union School District
Building and Grounds Committee Meeting
TUESDAY, January 21, 2020
5:30 PM
Superintendent's Conference Room**

Approved Minutes

Attending: Brooke Olsen-Farrell, Chris Cole, Cheryl Scarzello, Trevor Ezzo, Rick Wilson, Amy Munger, Peter Stone, Julie Finnegan, John Hemmelgarn, Architect

Call to Order: Peter Stone called the meeting to order at 5:39p.m.

Approval of Agenda: Trevor Ezzo made a motion to approve the agenda; this was seconded by Rick Wilson, with the addition of the Benson Sewer System and oil tank replacements.

Approval of Minutes - December 16, 2019: Amy Munger made a motion to approve the minutes of December 16, 2019 with no corrections: This was seconded by Rick Wilson, One Abstention by Trevor Ezzo; Motion carried.

Public Comment: None; Peter Stone made mention that some townspeople of Orwell are asking for an opportunity to keep the Orwell Town Hall. We need to get legal opinion on options available. The articles of agreement need to be researched further.

Innovation Project: John brought actual cost estimates which are inclusive of all the projects including High School, Middle School, Fair Haven Grade School and Orwell additions. The projects now are projected to total in entirety \$59,500,000.00. This amount is down from the original amount of approximately \$68,000,000.00 for all combined projects. This reduction comes after latest input from Committee and Board and the resulting revisions to the plans. These figures include a 5% inflation contingency built in. John brought a budget from the cost estimator. Brooke Farrell asks the Building and Grounds committee for a recommendation. The Building and Grounds Committee is making a recommendation to bring the total amount for all the projects (Fair Haven Grade School Elevator projects, Revision to FHUHS, Addition of the Middle School and the Orwell Renovation and Addition) to the amount of \$59,500,000 to bring before the full board, John Hemmelgarn will make the necessary updates tomorrow. Brooke reviewed the potential language for the Bond warning. John handed over new sets of plans to Chris Cole, Director of Operations.

The Building and Grounds Committee discussed the upcoming efforts to share information with the public regarding the Innovation Project. Brooke shared that Josh Burlette had another brochure ready to be released today. She is proposing a community forum after an upcoming board meeting. She also asked Building and Ground Committee members to attend upcoming meetings in their communities to share the plans and to answer questions so that taxpayers are well informed prior to the March vote for the budget and bond.

Other:

1. Benson Sewer Project; Shale Hill Farm was recently sold. The School District owns the sewer line from the school to the top of the hill on Lake Road. These new owners would like to tie into this system, with the School's permission. This team of people is in the process of applying for a permit from the Town and State. Discussion ensued. If they receive the needed permits and permissions, the committee would recommend to the Board that we allow the tie in.
2. Oil Tank Replacements have been put out to bid and should be in by the 28th of January. Two companies have expressed interest. Chris is hoping for additional bids.

Agenda Building:

1. Community Forum will be held on February 10, 2020
2. Budget and warning will be discussed and approved at the meeting on 1/27/2020 at 6:30

Adjourn: Trevor Ezzo made a motion to adjourn at 7:00 p.m.; this was seconded by Amy Munger. Meeting adjourned.

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