

GALATIA COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
PUBLIC HEARING MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 23, 2023

The Public Hearing on the Energy Transition Community Grant of the Galatia Community Unit School District No. 1 Board was held in the boardroom at the Annex. Roll call was taken, and those present were Tim Pribble, Aaron Allen, Joy Richey, Bryan McCabe, and Holly Murphy. Elaine Jackson and B.J. Pigg were absent. Five (5) members present and two (2) members absent. Board President, Tim Pribble, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Also present: Superintendent, Shain Crank, HS Principal, Ashley Launius, and Recording Secretary, Michele Hankins.

President Pribble led the Board and attendees in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Elaine Jackson entered the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

B.J. Pigg entered the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

VISITORS:

There were no visitors.

The Energy Transition Community Grant is an initiative under the Climate and Equitable Jobs Act (CEJA) that provides funding for communities that have been impacted by fossil fuel plant or coal mine closures or significant reductions. Communities in 22 areas impacted by recent or impending plant or mine closures or reductions were eligible to apply for the program. Grant awards were calculated based on the economic impact of plant or mine closure, specifically, property tax losses and jobs lost due to the plant transition, with a minimum award of \$50,000. The Galatia CUSD #1 has been awarded \$597,515.

The Energy Transition Community Grant application process consists of two phases. In phase 2, phase 1 applicants that have received a funding allocation will undergo a required stakeholder engagement process and prepare a project narrative and budget that includes specifics on their intended use of the grant award. The deadline for Phase 2 applications will be May 31, 2023.

The projects items that were discussed were:

New School Signage: A new 5x7 electronic sign on Rt. 34, the approximate cost of \$60,000.

New Road off Highway 34 to the school: Senator Dale Fowler has been working with the governor's office to help us obtain a new road at a low cost. If we put the road in ourselves, the projected cost will be approximately \$200,000.

High School Driveway-Concrete: Concrete the drive in front of the high school with concrete parking spots in front of the school for handicap parking, the approximate cost is \$150,000.


Lights at the ballfields: Install new lights at the high school boy's and girl's ball fields. The approximate cost for both of the ballfields is \$250,000.

Other items discussed during the meeting:

Handicapped Lifts or Elevator: Making the front of the High School more ADA compliant.

Stage Bleachers and a new Batting Cage.


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All items were discussed and the plan was narrowed down to get quotes for the High School concrete driveway, lights for the ballfields, and a batting cage.

ADJOURNMENT:

1. A motion was made by Pribble and seconded by McCabe to adjourn at 7:21 p.m. Jackson-aye, Murphy-aye, Pribble-aye, Richey-aye, Allen-aye, Pigg-aye, and McCabe-aye. Seven (7) ayes, motion carried.



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