

### **MEETING NOTES**

To Deb Alden

From

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Date

October 21, 2020

Project

RSU 10, Feasibility and Planning Study Project No. 19536

Subject

**Building Committee Meeting** 

#### **Attendees**

Deb Alden, Jerry Wiley, Kim Fuller, Scott Holmes, Greg Buccina, Chris Brennick, Jill Bartash, Ryan Casey, Marianne Hutchins, Matt Desroches, Peter DeFilipp, Michelle Casey, Melissa Harding, Leanne Condon, Abbey Rice, Liz Ledesma,

Lisa Sawin, Steve Fraser (Harriman)

# 1. Existing School Recommendations

- a) Deb Alden gave an overview of the process thus far.
- b) Lisa presented an update on the existing school recommendations.

### 2. Grade Configuration Analysis

- a) Lisa reviewed the analysis that was conducted by the grade configuration subcommittee, as well as the analysis focused on consolidated PK-5 and PK-8 options.
  - i. This was organized by pros and cons as they related to academics, utilities, admin, and other, per the DOE's request.
- b) Steve walked through the alternate sites that are under consideration.
  - The sites for further exploration were arrived at because they met the community criteria of 3 miles within the bridge that connects Rumford and Mexico, they meet the size requirements, and they avoid steep slopes and the flood plain.
  - ii. Further analysis will be required to determine if they are viable considerations.
  - iii. Members of the committee informed us that:
    - i. P3 contains well heads.
    - ii. P4 is steeper than we may think.
    - iii. P5 would be a touch community sell.
    - iv. P6 is under contract.
- c) Greg suggested that Harriman look at "Region 9 School of Applied Technology" and see if there is the ability to share their site or adjacent sites.

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### 3. Site Selection Criteria

- a) Lisa reviewed site selection criteria, provided by the DOE, and the importance of defining the Community Values that apply to site selection.
- b) The committee identified the following criteria:
  - i. 3-mile distance from bridge
  - ii. Location to balance community schools (school in Mexico, school in Rumford)
  - iii. Fiscally responsible
  - iv. Access to nature (trails, etc.)
  - v. Continued collaboration with clubs, land owners, and community members
  - vi. Maintain and enhance collaboration between surrounding towns
- c) The committee voted and there was unanimous desire to have the community values weighted with a 2, instead of a 1 in the site selection process.

## 4. Next Steps

- a) The next Building Committee meeting will be Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 5:15pm via Zoom.
- b) Harriman will provide an update from the October 27<sup>th</sup> DOE meeting and discuss next steps for the project and Communication Committee.

If written notice is not received within two weeks of receipt, the above meeting notes represent an accurate summary of the meeting and its conclusions.