



Buildings & Grounds Subcommittee Special Meeting

Tuesday, November 9, 2021 10:30 AM

Board Meeting Room
Administrative Offices
137 B Glenwood Road
Clinton, CT 06413

Attendance Taken at 10:30 AM.

Erica Gelven: Present

Michael Hornyak: Present

1. Opening Exercises

A. Roll call

Also in attendance was Superintendent Maryann O'Donnell, Business Manager Carolyn Dickey, Director of Technology Frank Rossi, and Director of Buildings & Grounds Gonzalo Carrion.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

All participants recited the pledge.

2. Review of Proposal for Joel PK Playground

Superintendent M. O'Donnell and Director of Building & Grounds G. Carrion reviewed a proposal to install fencing to create 4 additional play areas in the PreK playground area at Joel School. Current playground fencing creates a large area with grass areas closest to the school and installed playground elements closest to the path along the back of the school. Under current NAEYC accreditation standards, the current playground design allows only 20 students at a time to utilize the space. The redesign of the existing location will create multiple outdoor play areas that could accommodate 5 classrooms at any one time under the current guidelines. The funding for the playground redesign will come from an Early Childhood Grant that the district applied for and was awarded in the Spring. The subcommittee members asked clarifying questions and ultimately recommended that we move this forward to the Board for approval.

3. Review and Discussion re: 2022-23 Capital Planning

G. Carrion and Director of Technology F. Rossi explained their requests for the 2022-2023 Capital Expenditure Plan. These requests have been in the plan and have been refined based on current needs and proposals from vendors. They also answered questions and provided rationale and additional background information for each item. The subcommittee agreed to move the Capital Expenditure Plan forward to the BOE for approval at its next meeting.

4.General Discussion

G. Carrion reported that the solar panels are fully installed and we are awaiting the company to remove the residual panels that remain in the front parking lot at Joel. The Town's School Roofing Project Committee can now be disbanded and a meeting will be set up for next week. In addition, G. Carrion reported that the Colliers report is in final draft status and that the representative is able to schedule a meeting with the subcommittee to review the findings. The draft will be shared with the subcommittee members by the end of the week and the meeting has tentatively been scheduled for Thursday, November 18th.

5.Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by M. O'Donnell