

COMMITTEE AND SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

DISTRICT: Auburn

NAME OF MEETING: Master Planning Public Input Meeting

DATE/TIME/LOCATION OF MEETING: October 13, 2016 AVS Cafeteria 6:30pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE: Keith LeClair, Samantha Belcourt, Alan Villeneuve, Mark Comeau, and Russell Sullivan.

SESSION START TIME: 6:36PM

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF MEETING ACTIVITY AND ALL MOTIONS/SECONDS AND ANY ACTION TAKEN:

This is a public Input and Informational Meeting that consisted of a presentation by Keith LeClair on the AVS Addition & Renovation Project. The representatives from BPS and Turner Group were also present to help answer questions. The presentation consisted of a PowerPoint that was organized into 3 sections; The "How", The "Why", and the "Cost." Community members were encouraged to ask questions between the sections or after the presentation. The PowerPoint presentation will be available to the public on the website.

The following community members asked questions:

Bob Jensen, 549 Londonderry Turnpike

Q: How many extra classrooms A: 6

Q: How many years is this plan expected to maintain A: 30 year minimum with 14% growth

Q: What else will the gym be used for? A: Including regular school activities, the facility will be used by the community as it currently is.

Q: What will be the total utilization be when completed? A: 78%, allowing for future growth

Q: What technology will be added? A: Adequate bandwidth and Wi-Fi

Q: Will there be a change in future maintenance cost? A: heating will increase, but no immediate increase for maintenance staff

Q: What will change with the traffic and parking route? A: There will be a 2 lane circle in the front of the school. One lane for bus drop off and another lane for car drop off. It will ease the flow of traffic.

Q: Will this project affect athletic fields? A: Will not impact the current field on top of the hill. However, the basketball court will be moved.

Q: Will there be an elevator? A: Yes

Q: Accommodate special needs? A: Yes, there will be an increased space for resource rooms.

Q: How old are the portables and their life expectancy? A: They are temporary structures and the first one was placed there in 1995 and it has surpassed its life expectancy, and the other is just about at the end. They raise a security issue.

Ken Shevlin, 39 Hawthorne Drive

Q: Discussed the current cost and made a comment that if nothing is done, the taxes will go up anyway to fix this current building about .50/per thousand. This will only be covering Band-Aids and not addressing the goals of a new/renovated structure.

Q: What will be the capacity for the gym? A: The current gym is 500 capacity, the new will be increased for a 750 capacity.

Jim Speltz, 70 Pasture Drive

Q: What concessions are from the first plan? A: About 1.9 Million Reduction

Aaron Beaudry, 143 Spruce Lane

Q: Are there any solar energy costs in the plan? A: No

Q: What is the GMP? A: That price will be determined after the New Year once budget is complete.

Q: What happened to the land for sale off Exit 2? A: The school board made an action to take it off the market. Since the new cluster ordinance the property value has decreased. The school board agreed to not sell for less than what we paid for it.

Corey Joy, 40 McQuesten Road

Q: Why is there windows being screwed shut on this building? Why has it not been fixed in the past?

A: They are very old and hard to find companies to quote and replace. It will not be an easy task.

Mike Dipietro, 559 Bunker Hill Road

Mike made a comment/concern about the windows current state.

Steve April, 126 Forrest Drive

Q: raised some questions about electrical work and plumbing costs. The final budget is not done and will be redefined.

Q: Does this project require a bond? A: Yes, it's an RSA Law

Faye Hanscomb, 44 Maple Farm Road

When will the final numbers be in for this project? A: The final budget with GMP will be around the holidays/new year. There will also be another public input/informational session in the winter.

Craig Joyce, 333 Bunker Hill Road

Q: Does this project include all soft costs? A: Yes, about 2.5 million in soft costs.

Bonnie Boucher, 346 Pingree Hill Road

Made a comment and thanked everyone for their time and efforts for this project. She is a longtime resident, had children go through the school, and she is current teacher at AVS. She feels that more people need to be educated about this project and get the word out!

Mike Lynch, 15 Saddle Hill Road

Q: This lost by 7 votes last year, why? A: The cost, and community not being educated about the plan. He suggested using the Bloomz App that teachers use to communicate to parents as an idea.

Jennifer Anderson, 41 Lilak Drive

Jennifer raised a comment about the November 8th voting day to get people to spread the word out for next March. Keith replied that there is a Communications subcommittee and people are encouraged to sign up and volunteer their time to help spread the word and volunteer at events.

Alan Villeneuve, School Board Member

Alan made a comment that last year every ballot was hand counted and there were 21 school ballots that were left blank. We need to get out there and reach out and inform to voters. How can we reach them? Please give us ideas!

ADJOURNMENT: 7:50PM

NAME OF RECORDING SECRETARY: Samantha Belcourt