

**Town of Millbury
R.E. Shaw School Feasibility Committee
Regular Session Meeting - 13
Minutes**

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Date: November 1, 2018

Present: Mr. Plante, Chairperson, Mrs. Nietupski, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Myers, Superintendent, Mr. Bedard, Business Manager, Mr. Decatur, Mr. Tuccio, Mr. Tarka, Ms. Ryan, Mr. Pine, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Friedman, Mr. Kevin Kuphal, Mrs. Boulanger and Mrs. Teixeira

Hill International: Mr. Billings

T2: Mr. Peter Turowski, Mrs. Libby Turowski

Absent: Mr. Wiltshire, Mr. Marciello, Town Manager, Mrs. Decatur, and Mr. Despres

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: High School Media Center

1. Call to Order

Mr. Plante brought the meeting to order at 6:10pm.

2. Approval of Minutes from the October 17, 2018 meeting

Ms. Ryan made a motion to approve the October 17, 2018 minutes, seconded by Mr. Pine. All approved.

3. Old Business

a. Turowski2 Invoice – Vote Required

Invoice #2 (PO 190770) \$30,119.00 – Mr. Pine questioned the hazard materials for the schematic design. Mr. Turowski stated that the next invoice will show a credit for \$850.00. Mr. Bedard made a motion to approve Invoice #2 for \$30,119.00, seconded by Mr. Halacy. All approved.

4. New Business

a. Report on Georgetown Visit

Mr. Bedard stated that he and Mrs. Friedman had an opportunity to visit the Penn Brook School in Georgetown. He stated that he wanted to visit the school because it is called the "school in the woods" and the Penn Brook School was built in 2015. Mr. Bedard showed a variety of slides highlighting areas of interest to the Feasibility Committee.

b. Review T2 Options and Costs

Mr. Turowski stated that they are ready to submit the preliminary design program next week to the MSBA. Mr. Turowski gave a PowerPoint Presentation regarding each of the options along with the estimated costs for each option. Mr. Turowski included the modular/swing space costs for each renovation option along with the construction timeline. He also stated that the swing space costs are not reimbursable from the MSBA. He stated that the addition/renovation options take longer to finish than the new build options and add additional costs for the swing spaces. Mr. Billings stated that

they looked at Dorothy Manor and Pakachoag Acres to determine if these buildings could be an option for swing spaces, however, he stated that these options would cost a great deal of money to update the spaces so that they could be used as swing spaces. Mr. Billings stated that a renovation for a building for grades 4-6 is basically more money than building a new school. Mr. Turowski stated that at this point the Committee could eliminate one of the options. Mr. O'Connor stated that for an increase of 20% in size and costs actually allows for 33% more students in a 3-6 new building. Mr. Turowski stated that a decision regarding options for a grade 3 through 6 versus a grade 4-6 building does not need to be made tonight. He stated that he has heard from the district that they do not want smaller classrooms which would be in options A1 and B. Mr. Turowski asked if the Committee would like to eliminate options A1 and B. Mr. Myers asked if the life span of a renovated Shaw School would be the same as a new build. He stated that due to the water under the school it would be a great risk to renovate the building. Mr. Billings stated that there are always higher risks in a renovation especially with a building that is 40 to 50 years old. Mr. Myers stated that this would be the time to increase the size of one of our schools. He stated that in the Ed Plan a grade 3-6 scenario is made very attractive. However, he stated he is aware of the needs of third graders and would keep them separate in their own cluster. A discussion took place regarding the reimbursement amount in a new build versus a renovation. Mr. Billings stated that 57% of the costs of construction and FFE (furniture, fixtures and equipment) along with an added 2% increase if the building is Leed is what the town will be reimbursed. He stated that in some cases an additional 1% could be reimbursed in a renovation. However, because the swing space is not reimbursable and the time involved in a renovation adds additional costs the 1% additional reimbursement would not be a factor.

Ms. Ryan made a motion to eliminate Option 1A, seconded by Mr. Pine. All approved. Mr. Bedard made a motion to authorize the Architect and the OPM to submit the Preliminary Design Project minus option 1A to the MSBA, seconded Ms. Ryan. All approved.

c. Review Ed Plan

Mr. Myers stated that the outline of the Ed Plan was the same for all Ed Plans and that the MSBA has some elements that must be included in the Ed Plan. Mr. Myers stated that he could also address issues in the Ed Plan specifically related to Shaw School. He stated that the Ed Plan begins with the history of Millbury and also included in the Ed Plan is that Shaw School's educational vision is driven by the Core Values and Beliefs of the Millbury Public Schools.

d. Easement Discussion w/WS Development (Shoppes at Blackstone Valley)

Mr. Bedard stated that Turowski² found that natural gas is on Elmwood Street around one half mile away and they also found natural gas at the mall which is only 700 ft. He stated that this is a significant difference. Mr. Bedard also stated that he would like to see the power lines buried. He stated that he has reached out to WS Development. Of the Shoppes at Blackstone Valley. Mr. Lou Marsiello of WS Development was very receptive to the easement.

A discussion took place regarding the public forum and the information that will be presented.

5. **Public Comment** – There was no public comment at this meeting.
6. **Next Meeting** November 15, 2018 6:00pm Shaw School Media Center **6:30p Public Forum**
7. **Adjournment** – Mr. Halacy made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Ms. Ryan. All approved.

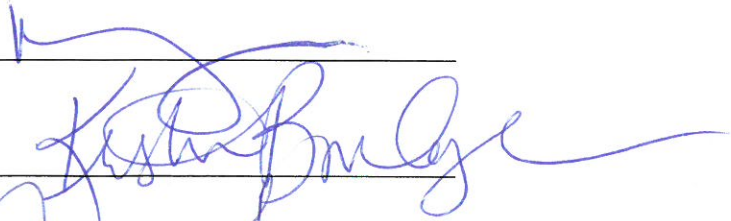
Respectfully submitted,

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Turowski2 Invoice #2