

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

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Date: December 20, 2018

Present: Mr. Plante, Chairperson, Mrs. Nietupski, Vice Chairperson, Mr. Myers, Superintendent, Mr. Bedard, Business Manager, Mr. Tuccio, Mr. Tarka, Ms. Ryan, Mr. O'Connor, Mrs. Boulanger, Mr. Halacy, Mr. Kuphal, Mrs. Teixeira, Mr. Wiltshire

Hill International: Mr. Billings, Ms. Leduc
T2: Mr. Peter Turowski, Mrs. Libby Turowski, Mr. Burgess

Absent: Mr. Despres, Mr. Decatur, Mr. Pine, Mrs. Friedman, Mrs. Decatur, Mr. Marciello,

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Shaw Elementary School Media Center

- **Call to Order**
Mr. Plante brought the meeting to order at 6:10pm.
 - **Approval of Minutes from the December 4, 2018 meeting**
Ms. Ryan made a motion to approve the December 4, 2019 minutes, seconded by Mr. Pine. All approved.
 - **Old Business**
 - a. **Turowski2 Invoice #18-08-03**
Ms. Ryan made a motion to approve Turowski2 invoice #18-08-03 for \$30,119, seconded by Mr. Tarka. All approved.
 - b. **Design Updates**
Mr. Turowski stated that there is a strong possibility of hooking up to the natural gas line through the Shoppes at Blackstone Valley. He stated that at the next meeting he would explained what is involved to complete this work.
- Mr. Turowski reviewed each option's floor plans and Mr. Burgess reviewed the site plans for each option. Mr. Turowski stated that all options have a limited two-door entrance for security purposes. He stated that grade level classrooms are in clusters with break out spaces for students to work in group settings. He also stated that each option will be filled with as much light as possible by adding skylights. Mr. Turowski also compared sloped roofs verses elevated roofs. Mr. Burgess highlighted the outdoor play areas and suggested that an outdoor classroom and trails be part of the landscape. He stated that a decision regarding the outdoor areas would have to be made soon. He also stated that the outdoor classroom and trails would be at an additional cost. Mr. Plante advised the Committee that if they vote to have trails added to the site designs that there is a lot of maintenance required to keep the trails clear and that there should be a plan on how to achieve this task before a vote. It was also stated that the trails must be ADA compliant, or if multiple trails are made one must be designated as an ADA compliant trail. Mr. Tarka stated that an outdoor learning would be a great addition to

student learning. Mr. Wiltshire stated that research on social and emotion learning shows that students can regulate themselves in outside learning spaces.

Mrs. Turowski updated the Committee on the Shaw students' assembly.

Mrs. Nietupski stated that the School Committee voted in favor of including grade 3 in a new build for the Raymond E. Shaw Elementary School. Ms. Ryan made a motion to choose 2 options to submit to the MSBA. Mr. Turowski stated that the MSBA would still like a renovation option, a base option and a 4-6 option and a 3-6 option.

- **New Business**

- a. **Report on the Public Forum**

Mr. Myers stated that a Public Forum was held on December 4, at the Shaw Elementary School. Mr. Myers stated that it was useful to hear feedback from community members interested in a new or renovated Shaw School. Mr. Myers stated that a frequently asked question is why are we not moving the Shaw students to the high school and building a new high school? Mr. Myers stated that the MSBA would not support building a new high school, therefore the Town of Millbury would be responsible for paying for the full cost of a new high school.

Mr. Turowski stated that he has presented the design options to the Town of Millbury Department Heads and the Millbury Senior Center members.

A public forum will be held on January 30, 2019 at 6:30pm. The Committee meeting will be held before the public forum at 6:00pm.

- b. **Propay Payment Request #1**

Mr. Bedard explained the Propay payment process. He stated that he electronically send invoices from Hill International and Turowski2 to the MSBA. The MSBA tracks the invoices and begins reimbursing the town for completed services.

- c. **Formation of Communications/Publicity Subcommittee**

Mr. Myers made a motion to approved Mrs. Teixeira as the Chairperson of the Communications/Publicity Subcommittee, seconded by Mr. Tuccio. All approved. Mrs. Boulanger offered to join the Communications/Publicity Subcommittee.

- **New Business**

- **Public Comment** – There was no public comment at this meeting.

- **Next Meeting** January 16, 2019 6:00pm MHS Media Center

- **Adjournment** – Ms. Ryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Tuccio. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Freitas

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Executive Assistant to the Superintendent

Approved:

R. Bedard

Paul Halay

Michal

Kurt Bueh

Art Gert

Mark Ueber

Jennifer B. Niemcz

E. Bernard White

Gregory Meyer

Email Attachments:

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