

Holmdel Board of Education
Buildings, Grounds & Safety Committee
Meeting Notes – June 24, 2021 - 5:00 p.m.

Board Members Present: P. Reddy, Chair | J. Hammer | E. Urbanski | L. Zhang

Administrators Present: M. Petrizzo, BA | J. DeWysockie, ABA | K. Stromsland, Dir Plant Ops & Maint | S. Rogers, Asst Dir Plant Ops & Maint | L. Carducci, Dir Com Prog & Stu Transp | A. Gattini, Dir of Tech

Guests: Greyhawk Construction Manager, Spiezle Architects, Paul Green, Board Attorney

Meeting Location: Zoom meeting

1. Holmdel 2020 (Referendum) Update:

- Interior Renovations and Exterior Site Renovations (Village & Indian Hill School):
 - i. Punch List items related to the roof, skylights and AC condenser will be completed before schools begin in September.
- Exterior Site Additions & Renovations and Interior Alterations (Satz & High School):
 - i. The contractor continues to address outstanding Punch List items and will be completed before schools begin in September.
- CCTV and PA – The installation of the cameras at the Complex and Elementary Schools are complete. The cameras have been named and positioned for the optimum viewing angle. Training on the new camera and PA systems have been completed. The contractor is in the process of preparing the various documents necessary for the closeouts along with the requirements for Punch List completion. All work is to be completed before schools begin in September.

2. Draft Shared Service Agreements:

- School Resource Officers (SRO) and Special Law Enforcement Officers (Class III)
Mr. Green, Board Attorney provided an overview of the draft agreements, which resulted in a detailed discussion amongst the committee.

3. Transportation Services – Bus Aides:

The committee reviewed the incident reports involving fighting, bullying and vandalism on busses for the 19/20 and 20/21 school years. In addition, the committee reviewed the incident reporting process, the cost of bus aides and plans for the expanded Peaceful School Bus (PSB) program. Last summer the school bus safety open house was cancelled due to COVID. The PSB program has been expanded to run throughout the school year and is anticipated to result in less incidents while creating a culture of responsible school bus riders and helpful peers that model appropriate and safe behaviors.

4. Generators:

In 2019 there was a BG&S Committee meeting and the topic of Generators in the district was discussed. Ken Stromsland reported that there were generators in each of the Elementary Schools and a generator for the HS/Satz Complex. The report included the type & size of each generator and exactly what was covered by each generator in case of a power outage. In addition, information was provided on what it would take to install larger generators to allow each school to run during an outage without any loss of power. The total cost to the District would be nearly \$2 Million. The conclusion was to table any generator expansion for the immediate future but to plan for some expansion as needed.

At the latest BG&S meeting (6/24/21), the topic of generators was renewed to include the current coverage of our District generators considering that our B&G Maintenance team has been improving our generator system to include as many additional circuits as possible, especially for safety and security.

The possible expansion of new generators and their costs were also explored. The HS/Satz Complex would require three (3) 650 KW Natural Gas Generators to provide enough power to provide full electrical coverage in the event of an outage. The cost for the necessary equipment and contractors to install that system is estimated at \$1,475,000.

The Elementary schools could be viewed differently in that we could have enough generator power to run all essential equipment so the students and staff could remain in school during an outage. That would cost an estimated \$200,000 in each school. The next level to consider would be enough generator power to run everything in the schools including all air conditioning. That level of generator use would cost an estimated \$400,000 per school.

Considering the number of days when we have had outages during the school year, the Committee is not open to the use of such generators at this time, but are open to evaluating any grant opportunities that arise in the future.

5. Disposal of Obsolete Items

The committee reviewed the draft resolution to approve disposal of various obsolete items.

6. Cooperative Trash & Recycling Removal Services Consortium:

The committee reviewed the draft resolution to approve the Cooperative Trash & Recycling Removal Services Consortium. The consortium is made up of Holmdel, Hazlet, Keyport & Matawan-Aberdeen.

7. Other Matters Pertaining to the Committee:

The committee discussed planning for a walk-through of the complex so the community can see the referendum improvements.

8. Date and Time of next Committee Meeting: July 22, 2021 5:00 p.m.