

BIG SPRING SCHOOL DISTRICT

Newville, Pennsylvania

BUILDINGS AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2016

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I. CALL TO ORDER

The Buildings and Property Committee of the Board of School Directors for the Big Spring School District met in the Large Group Room, Room 140, of the Big Spring High School at 6:00 P.M. with Robert Barrick, Chairperson, presiding. Eight (8) directors present: Robert Barrick, Chairperson; William Swanson, Committee Member; Wilbur Wolf, Jr., ex-officio Committee Member; Bob Kanc, Board Member; Richard Roush, Committee Member; William Piper, Committee Member; Todd Deihl, Board Member; and David Gutshall, Committee Member.

Dave Gutshall arrived at 6:08 pm.

Bob Kanc and Todd Deihl arrived at 6:10 pm.

Absent: Kingsley Blasco,

Others in attendance: Richard W. Fry, Superintendent; Kevin C. Roberts Jr., Assistant Superintendent; Rick Gilliam, Director of Buildings, Grounds, and Transportation; Richard Kerr, Business Manager; and Carol Frace, Board Minutes.

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II. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. MS Roof Replacement Specification

Mr. Blaine Chipola, Professional Roof Services provided information to the Board of School Directors on the specifications for the Middle School Roof.

[Presentation attached.](#)

General Questions:

1. Mr. Wolf asked if you anticipate any problems with the roof adhering.
2. Mr. Wolf questioned if the chimney is a non-functioning chimney.
3. Mr. Piper inquired the relationship between the roof company and the fascia company. Who is providing the warranty? Can the two companies blame each other if the roof fails?
4. Mr. Kerr asked to have the alternates for 2 and 3 explained to the Board.
5. Mr. Wolf inquired if we are pushing the envelope in regards to time is there something in the bond that we will need to do.
6. Mr. Piper asked about the inspection on this project. Who will be overseeing this project and doing the inspection?

B. Track Project Update

Mr. Richard Fry, Superintendent and Mr. Tobie Wolf, Wolf Consulting Engineers provided updates to the Board on the track project.

[Presentation attached.](#)

General Questions:

1. Mr. Fry asked Tobie to review the perspective as far as storm water.
2. Mr. Piper questioned the different fields and the pad required.
3. Mr. Wolf inquired if there is no track surface in the upper bid.

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4. Mr. Kanc questioned what the warranty would be on all three options.
5. Mr. Swanson probed if the resurfacing is \$100,000 for the lower bid.
6. Mr. Wolf inquired if the difference in the options for the track is in the sealing of the track. The difference deals with the longevity of the track.
7. Mr. Gutshall probed if schools in the Tri-Valley League have turf fields.
8. Mr. Kerr stated that \$806,000 would be left from the budget and the rest would come from capital projects.
9. Mr. Kanc discussed the storm water management plan and if it was designed for a turf field.
10. Mr. Wolf stated he thinks there will be very little difference in the storm water drainage between the turf field and the natural grass field.
11. Mr. Swanson asked if the physical education classes will be using the track. Will they also be using the turf field?
12. Mr. Fry informed the Board of School Directors the turf field would be used by the field hockey team but many other groups like the band and community teams will also want to use the field.
13. Mr. Piper questioned if we put the artificial turf field in what activities would you pull off the regular football field.
14. Mr. Fry informed the Board of School Directors that girls soccer, midget football, field hockey, and junior high football would all be moved in time to the new turf field.
15. Mr. Barrick inquired about the yardage numbers for the turf field. Would they be needed? Could we go to side line markers? Would there be savings for doing this? When you sew in the numbers, you are putting a seam that could come apart in time.
16. Mr. Piper asked how much saving do you think this would be.
17. Mr. Wolf stated I think this would be something we should look into. This is to be a practice field for football. It is a place that the turf can't fail. The line markings are the most important.

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18. Mr. Swanson replied it is not a great savings but it is not necessary and would cause extra care or maintenance of the field.
19. Mr. Fry informed the Board the conduit is there to support lights. Everything is in this plan for future projects.
20. Mr. Kanc probed if these are revised cost from the original bid. How big of an adjustment from the original base bid?
21. Mr. Wolf inquired about fill being put on school property somewhere until we are ready to use it if we can get fill.
22. Mr. Piper asked if the health concerns of this artificial turf has been addressed.
23. Mr. Fry informed the Board of School Directors we have done our research. This is a crushed rubber.
24. Mr. Kanc asked if the pad has been proved to help with concussions. Would the cost of padding help protect our students?
25. Mr. Wolf inquired about maintenance of the turf field.

C. Technology Projects

Mr. Rob Krepps, Questeq Director of Technology provided information to the Board of School Directors on the Fiber Erate Project, Microwave Radio Link Replacement, and the Main Data Facility UPS Replacement.

[Presentation attached.](#)

Specific questions:

1. Mr. Piper asked what impact would this have on the MS roof project.
2. Mr. Wolf inquired when will we go to the fiber cable will these still part of our system.
3. Mr. Fry informed the Board that our neighboring districts have had to extend their timelines for their fiber projects.

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D. Review Abatement Bids

Mr. Richard Roush, School Board provided information to the Board of School Directors on the abatement bids.

Specific questions:

1. Mr. Fry stated this is pending solicitor review.

III. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:03 P.M.



Robert Lee Barrick, Chairperson