



## **Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting**

Meeting Date: January 10, 2022

Meeting Start Time: 6:15pm

Members: Attendance:

Mr. Bruce Schubert – Chair – Yes

Mr. Dan Barreiro – Yes

Ms. Annette Johnson – No

Mr. Steve Megazzini – Yes

Other Participants – Dr. Jennifer Norrell, Mr. Alex Arroyo, Mr. Steve Megazzini, Mr. Jesse Vargas

1. Roll Call
2. Public comments
3. 2021 Construction Projects
  - HVAC Final Update
  - Allowance Reduction
4. 2022 Summer Projects Update
  - Milestone Schedules
  - Window Bid Results
5. East Aurora High School Bleacher Replacement
6. Reunification Process (Informational)
7. Resolution to Destroy Property – Simmons Athletic Uniforms and Equipment
8. Work Orders
9. New Business
10. Adjournment

## **Public Comments/Questions**

None

## **2021 Construction Projects**

Mr. Megazzini reported that punch list items continue to be addressed and reviewed. He stated that the challenge has been that while working on the current list of items, new items to be addressed are discovered. There is a list of three items at Allen with eleven in review; three items at Krug with ten in review; twenty items remain at Waldo with completion anticipated by the end of January. The Walk-In Cooler/Freezer for Waldo that had been delayed due to COVID is now expected to be delivered by end of January 2022 and installed by mid-February. Some items may be delayed due to the winter weather such as getting up on the roofs etc. Each project has about 10% of the total project due to be paid once the items are completed.

Mr. Megazzini reported that the allowance reduction information is included in the packet. He also reported that overall the projects have stayed within the reduction numbers.



### **2022 Summer Projects Updates**

Mr. Megazzini reported that the District continues to work with the architects for the summer projects as well as refining the budget numbers for those projects. HVAC Projects and Roof Replacement projects have gone out to bid and were approved. There was a bid opening for the window replacements and the packet also included the schedules for the site improvements, the Domeier Renovations, the EAHS Sprinkler Phase 3, the structural repair at the High School and the REC Center which will all go out to bid in February and March. He reported that the District is working with Cordogan and Clark to be sure that materials are ordered and received in a timely fashion. Mr. Schubert asked if the window replacement was at Beaupre and whether all the windows would be replaced. Mr. Megazzini answered that not all of the windows would be replaced, only the ones inspected and most needing replaced. Mr. Schubert commented about the framing of the windows and whether they would be replaced with a similar frame.

Window Replacement Bid request was made public on December 15<sup>th</sup> with a pre-bid walk through on December 21<sup>st</sup> and the actual bid open and received on January 6<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Megazzini reported that only 2 bids were received, but the lowest bidder came in within the budget that was expected with the exception of a few materials costs which are higher than usual due to current challenges with materials. Bid results will go for a vote at the next BOE meeting.

### **EAHS Bleacher Replacement**

Mr. Megazzini reported that the current bleachers in the main gym at EAHS are old (installed in the 1950's), and have challenges with functionality and safety. He also reported that they are not ADA compliant and this fact has hindered the District's ability to host certain events in the past. Bleachers on the east and west side as well as the R section are the ones slated to be replaced. Mr. Arroyo asked if the current bleachers are mechanical or manually operated, to which Mr. Megazzini replied that they are mechanical. Inquiries are being made as to whether this project could be completed in the summer, with the challenges of getting materials delivered on time. Mr. Megazzini reported that the District is proposing to purchase the new bleachers through Sourcewell Coop. The BOE would be asked to vote on going forward with this project at their next meeting.

Mr. Arroyo asked as to the type of material used to make the bleachers to which Mr. Megazzini replied that the material is a refined plastic which would match the upper gym bleachers which were replaced at an earlier date. Mr. Megazzini reported that with the ADA compliance, there would be widened rows, rails and a new media platform which will result in the loss of about 400 seats from 3200 to 2900.

Mr. Schubert inquired as to whether any of the previous bids for bleacher replacement were accessed to compare with the new bids. Mr. Megazzini stated that he had not, but Mr. Vargas stated that he had contacted the previous bidder, but they did not submit a new bid.

Dr. Norrell reminded the committee members that the previous attempt to replace the bleachers was not given the proper procedure of going out to bid, but that the current attempt has followed the proper procedures.

Mr. Barreiro requested that the bids include the option for wood bleachers as well as the plastic option. Mr. Megazzini will provide other options before it goes to the full board for a vote.

### **Reunification Process (Informational)**

Mr. Megazzini reported that some district officials recently attended a training hosted by the Kane Regional Office of Education with respect to crisis management and school safety. Mr. Megazzini reported that this training was based on the "I Love U Guys" Foundation to develop processes, procedures, and tools to prepare



and respond to a tragic event both in the school district and surrounding community. He stated that the district has the A.L.I.C.E. protocols in place, but he stated that more research and education is needed in order to continue to develop better preventative measures and action plans in case of an emergency, including response protocols.

Mr. Barreiro and Mr. Schubert were supportive of these preventative and responsive measures. Mr. Megazzini further explained that these procedures would aid in the management of students and families with materials available ahead of time instead of the day of. Mr. Barreiro stated that being prepared helps everyone stay calm and able to handle the situation better. Dr. Norrell stated that district officials will be attending the national briefing on this topic and will return at the February committee meeting with more information.

### **Resolution Authorizing the Sale/Recycle of Person Property**

Mr. Megazzini stated that there are old uniforms and athletic equipment from Simmons Middle School which are beyond usage and the request is for them to be destroyed.

### **Work Orders**

Work continues with Maintenance Mechanics and Firepersons to complete these orders.

### **New Business**

On Friday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, a pipe burst at the old SSC. Buildings and Grounds crews have been working to vacuum and clean up the water and assess the damage. Dehumidifiers, fans and vacuums are being used to extract and dry the water. A bid is out for asbestos abatement in this building. A follow up walk through will take place at a later date at which time a plan will be discussed as to how to move towards the tear down and renovation of this building. Architects and the environmental company were consulted to determine how to move forward after the clean-up is complete.

Mr. Schubert asked how much time elapsed between the pipe bursting and it actually being discovered. Mr. Megazzini stated that he didn't have an exact time of the pipe bursting, but district employees were in the building on Friday afternoon and the water was discovered by ADS on Saturday evening. Most of the damage was sustained in the front of the building.

Mr. Schubert asked about how the district was faring considering the amount of ice accumulated during the recent weather to which Mr. Megazzini responded that there were crews out following the latest weather event salting and taking advantage of the sunny weather to ensure that the sidewalks and parking lots were safe prior to school opening the next day.

Meeting adjourned at 6:40pm.