

Present: Andrew Dionne, Austin Tanner (arrived 8:25p), Hans Koehl, Robert Kelleher, Robert Rossi, Gene Michael Deary, Felix Ramos

Absent: Dave Guimont

Also present: Glenn Lessig, Jeff Kelleher (IT Department for BES and BMS), Bucky Lohbusch, Parks and Recreation

- I. Call to Order:** Andrew Dionne called the meeting to order at 7:04pm
- II. Discussion with BOE on building requests:** paving figure is not an exact figure. Dave Kowolenko will get a quote for paving so we have a better idea. Bob Rossi inquired if the new proposed paved driveways have been reviewed by an engineer to ensure safety and the best route for pick up and drop off of students. Robert Kelleher suggested the town engineer Syl Petrucelli to give the BOE a good quote which would include complete paving of area, redirection of traffic, gates to close off certain areas. Gene Michael suggested the items be presented over a 2-3 year budget from capital rather than 1 whole project.

Discussion regarding the fire alarm system. The finished result will have Simplex Grinnell as the company that will maintain and monitor the fire alarm systems in both the elementary and middle schools.

Security for Brooklyn Schools was discussed. Drew suggested to get a full quote for the complete project including the involvement of the State Police, then break down the project requests over 2-3 years (year 1, cameras. Year 2, door locks etc.)

There is a wall in 7-8 grade lavatory which is deteriorating. Currently is a sheetrock wall. There was discussion as to re-sheetrock it, or make it a block wall. This project can be put off for one more year.

Dave Kowolenko suggested grounds be maintained by someone other than himself. Gene Michael asked Bucky if the Recreation Department would object to taking on the grounds keeping. Bucky stated if they had an additional seasonal employee there is a possibility Recreation Department will be able to do this.

Athletic Fields need attention. Dug outs, back stops, reseeding of grass, fencing.

III. Discussion with BOE on technology requests:

Glenn Lessig reviewed his list of items, mentioning items from last year that were not granted, have been moved to the request list for 2013. He mentioned that both the elementary and middle schools have wireless technology. The computers in the Middle school are ok for this year. The elementary school computers, because of their age, it would be better to replace them rather than refurbish them. There is a request for two (2) new file servers to replace the servers in the elementary school. The request for 20 tablets is necessary due to requirements for standardized testing. Gene Michael asked about textbooks being loaded onto tablets as a better decision and cost effectiveness rather than purchasing tablets and textbooks. There will be a review by the IT Department as to the cost effectiveness between Chrome Books or I-Pads. Gene Michael also asked about the availability of Educational Grants to assist with the cost of I-Pads and computers.

IV. Discussion with Recreation on requests:

Bucky Lohbusch discussed two (2) way radios, and presented manuals to committee members for proposed new radios. The current radios can be refurbished. Leasing radios are \$210 per radio, per year. The cost for leasing for one year is almost as much as if they were to be purchased. There is a request for thirty (30) so there will be enough communication available at Spooky Nights, and Summer Day Camp.

Bucky Lohbusch presented gazebo pictures with approximate cost of \$25,000. For the kit only, not assembled or any prep work (cement slab, electrical etc). Also may consider someone in town to build the gazebo. The gazebo would be used for wedding pictures, 3-4 piece bands, small town events, town picnic area.

Bucky went on to discuss the picnic pavilion, stating that Austin Tanner asked him about the STEEP grant and bundling some of these requests for next year. The South Street Park was discussed as to a small cities grant, maybe Lions and Elks Club donating supplies and labor to complete the pavilion without a lot of funding needed, and posting a plaque dedicating all those who participated in making it happen.

V. Discussion with Highway on requests:

Austin Tanner presented the list of requests from the highway department. The 2004 Ford 350 is in good shape, the body however is not. Tommy Rukstella will be invited to the next meeting for further detailed discussion.

VI. Discussion on misc. Town requests:

Gene Michael asked if Mr. Lessig and or Mr. Kelleher from BES, BMS IT Department should be contacted to evaluate the needs of the Town Hall, looking for an uninterested party to conduct an analysis. Austin Tanner explained his reasoning behind the software and it's benefits for the Building Inspector, Zoning, Fire Marshall as to how the software would aid in providing efficiency and more valuable information for inspections.

Demolition of the Recreation Building which was approved by the towns people at the Town Meeting 3/4/13 will be brought before the Board to Finance for request of funds for demolition.

Austin Tanner discussed the Town Hall needing to be painted. The quotes for paint:

Regular paint \$9,500. Lifetime paint \$26,000 (25 yr warrantee) Rhino paint \$45,000. (\$25 yr warrantee)

Lifetime paint contractor will also paint the shutters with the same paint. And reduce cost of project by \$1000.

Drew Dionne advised the committee to review lists, prioritize and be ready to present for discussion at the next meeting.

Town Grants Fund, Budget-Town Projects List presented and reviewed by the committee.

VII. Set special meeting date:

Next meeting scheduled for 3/26/13 at 7pm

VIII. Adjourn:

Hans Koehl motioned to adjourn. Felix Ramos seconds this motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 9:23pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Lisa Scribner

Recording Secretary