Buildings, Grounds & Technology Subcommittee

January 31, 2018

Room F1

In attendance: Chairman Art Battachi, Bob Law, Maryellen, Dave Travis, Chris Regan, Jeremy Wells, Bonnie Silvers

1. Meeting Called to Order – Art Batacchi 6:07pm

2. Reorganization
   ● Bob nominated Art Battachi to be chair of the committee
   ● Maryellen seconded
   ● Approved unanimously

3. Approval of the Minutes from the September 20, 2017 Meeting
   ● Read aloud by Dave
   ● Motion to approve by Bob, seconded by Dave
   ● Approved unanimously

4. Update on capital projects FY19
   ● Jeremy and Chris R walked the sub-committee through the B&G budget proposal
   ● Dave requested historical actual figures for BG&T expenditures
   ● Dave requested prioritization/nice to have/must-have. Cost analysis of nice-to-have items.
   ● Bob asked: are we meeting the threshold for how much we need to spend on the building according to state capital improvement requirements?
   ● Chris: many of these items will save time and money, some are safety issues
   ● Chris:
     ○ Costs of Massini bus for field trips higher - We are using their buses more than anticipated. (eg: $250/trip to Berkshire School)
     ○ Possibility of buying more vehicles
       ■ Van - $36,000 $11,000/year
       ■ Bus - $24k/year for marshmallow bus
     ○ Art: requested Chris R to get estimates for the 1-2 vehicles she is encouraging the committee to consider, as well as estimates on how long it will take to make the money back in savings from Massini trips.
5. Technology budget
   ● Beth and Chris R walked the committee through Chris T’s budget proposal
   ● Chris Thompson’s budget includes 150 ~$500 desktops/laptops
   ● Beth suggested we think of this as carving out a budget to accommodate the vision that the Middle School Task Force comes up with

6. Update New Marlborough Central boiler (Jeremy)
   ● Planned installation: April vacation

7. Signs update (Jeremy)
   ● Existing sign is not compliant
   ● Applied to Town of Sheffield for a variance to install our new signs, which are also non-compliant
   ● Bob volunteered himself and Bonnie to make a ruckus at the Zoning Board of Appeals meeting if need be

8. Mt Everett office window (Jeremy)
   ● Plan to install over February vacation
   ● Masonry firm out of Pittsfield

9. Future agenda Items
   ● Art proposed safety and maintenance walkthrough to coincide (same date)
     ○ Jeremy leads maintenance component
     ○ Officer leads safety component
   ● Cost analysis on the vans
   ● Historical analysis in capital expenditures over the last few years

10. Date of the next meeting
    ● Thu 2/22 or Fri 2/23 in the morning
    ● 5pm, Thursday 2/23

Adjourned at 7:16pm