

UPPER PERKIOMEN SCHOOL DISTRICT

FACILITIES COMMITTEE

March 27, 2023

The Facility Committee Meeting was held at the multipurpose room at the Education Center with the following committee members attending: JP Prego (chairperson), Keith McCarrick, and Melanie Cunningham. Others in attendance were: Dr. Allyn Roche, Daniel Direso, and Doug Kenwood.

1. **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Motion to approve the February 27, 2023 meeting minutes. Motion carried; all voted aye.

2. **OLD BUSINESS**

- a. High School HVAC Equipment – Preventative Maintenance Agreement
 - i. Mr. Kenwood asked a question about the High School HVAC preventative maintenance agreement discussed at the last committee meeting. Specifically, Mr. Kenwood asked if a motion should be listed before the full school board at the next voting meeting or not until the June voting meeting. The committee advised Mr. Kenwood to list a motion at the April voting meeting.
- b. Hereford Playground Renovations
 - i. Mr. Kenwood stated he has some additional information and budgetary figures. Last meeting, we discussed a particular playset and the swing sets that is off in the distance creating a supervision issue. The committee also discussed the safety surface. Mr. Kenwood advised that quotes were sought from the same contractors that we used for Marlborough's playset. Mr. Kenwood then had shared an image of the estimate for a complete re-build of the safety surface. Mr. Fries had mentioned he would like to do a survey for the families and children for what kind of playset they would like to see. \$142,616 is where the estimate is right now. This doesn't include the rope climber. Hereford PTFS is willing to contribute 13.5%. Mr. Kenwood is currently waiting for some updated numbers. This project is included in next year's budget.
- c. High School Tennis Courts Damage
 - i. Mr. Kenwood reported that he is having trouble getting a second contractor close by to come out, but he thinks he found one. Mr. Kenwood did get a quote for the 2 repair options. Sand and rubberized crack filler; \$4,200. The only thing that gives him pause on this is that they state it may not be a level fill. The other is the Armor crack repair system for more than \$8,000. By next meeting, Mr. Kenwood is hoping to have a second estimate with additional options.
- d. Middle School NPDES NOT/Title IX
 - i. Mr. Kenwood was able to confirm the notice of termination (NOT) package has been submitted to The Montgomery County Conservation District. Its unknown at this time when they are coming out to perform the inspection. Montgomery County Conservation District did just hire someone that specifically handles NOT inspections. Unfortunately, they are not required to give notice prior to arriving onsite for the inspection.

- ii. Mr. Kenwood stated on the Title IX side, the bid package for the softball drainage package is nearly done. Mr. Kenwood did propose a new schedule. They have to finish the package and get it back to Mr. Kenwood for review by the Solicitor. Bids would come in by May 3rd. The project start date would be after July 4th.
- e. KCBA Feasibility Study
 - i. Mr. Kenwood provided a follow up for the KCBA Feasibility Study. KCBA is working on an Excel application for our ten-year capital plan. Mr. Kenwood showed a spreadsheet that will tell when a particular item was built or installed, what the typical lifecycle is and the estimated replacement cost. The application will display how many years of useful life will remain for an asset. KCBA would like some time at the April Facilities Meeting to review.

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. High School Sidewalk Repairs
 - i. Mr. Kenwood stated that he is currently working on issues that need to be addressed with High School sidewalk repairs. We did have some issues with people falling while attending a school play. Pad replacements, raising and lowering of slabs, and crack repairs are needed. Always Safe Sidewalks came in and performed a survey. They can do repairs, but cannot do full replacements, so another company is coming out to survey.
 - ii. Ms. Pennepacker asked about power washing the front of the High School building. Mr. Kenwood advised we tried that cleaning method in the past however the bricks started falling off so the practice was discontinued.
- b. Stormwater BMP Maintenance Agreement
 - i. Mr. Kenwood stated that there are several Best Management Practices (BMP's) for stormwater management along Montgomery Ave. The agreement is with Upper Hanover Township. Every 3 years the school district is supposed to contract with an engineer to review the BMPs. Mr. Kenwood is in contact with our Solicitor for help understanding the school district's obligations.
- c. Grass Field Maintenance
 - i. Mr. Kenwood stated that we are having a problem at the High School and Middle School with goose droppings. We have been trying to manage it with a tow behind leaf sweeper. The sweeper doesn't last too long due to the droppings weighing more than leaves; it bends the frame and rips. We found only one piece of equipment that is specific for scooping goose droppings from a company called Tow and Collect. Mr. Kenwood requested permission to purchase the equipment from left-over money after buying only two vans. It is \$6,300 for the scooper and \$700 to \$800 for shipping. All in favor.

Audience members asked to have the track open to the community for the summer months. She heard from other community members when it was first put in, there was a promise to open it up for community members. Ms. Pennepacker asked if there was a specific time, she said any time we could provide. Mr. Prego said that we can look at it and weigh the pros and cons. Community member stated that there is a district that offers a key rental program to open their track and the money also helped offset school expenses.

Mr. Prego asked if there were any other questions from the audience.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Mr. Prego. Motion carried; all voted aye.