Plainview-Elgin-Millville Transportation & Facility Committee
Minutes

September 28, 2022 - 6pm - PEM Board Room

1. Transportation Update - Doug Grisim
    a. Status update- ready for start of school?
        i. We need to recognize we need to work together, has been a good working relationship and we want that to continue
        ii. Several concerns raised centered around designated pick up/drop off locations, daycares not being acceptable, late notice or no notice to parents about bussing route/time
        iii. Need to consider how we can help improve the service so transportation builds confidence in the district. Ex. Web Page updates, communication, register for transportation each year, opt out of transportation, etc.
    b. Student safety training being completed now
    c. Weather decisions been in communication with Bluff Country Bus Service, meeting Friday to finalize details and parent bulletin
    d. Concerns about Plainview location loading in the afternoon, it is not working as it was expected when the changes were made. We will need to explore ways to improve safety, but it is a difficult area with limitations.

2. Activities Update - Scott Flattum
    a. Shot clock follow up- ordered target date for install is March
    b. Pursuing grant for fencing for baseball/softball field by elementary school
    c. City contract for Eckstein field was discussed as there has been some discussion on the quality of the upkeep on the fields and potential increased cost in the future.

3. Building/Facility Updates - Trevor Schultz
    a. Window and roof tops updates- windows are in, waiting on some permits because they had to be separated out into 3 different permits due to the dollar amount involved.
    b. Fuel/curtailed- Trevor feels we will be curtailed this year so he is preparing for it.
    c. Snow removal bids due Oct 7th- need to check with the city is there interest in partnering with a snow removal company in future years.
    d. We will explore options for piling snow to save costs of hauling snow away

4. Food Service kitchen review at Plainview site

a. Asked Tami to join us tonight as she leads our food service contract with Tahir. She does an excellent job managing the finances and being careful to help the district be fiscally responsible. We have a positive fund balance in the food service fund.
b. The cafeteria/kitchen has been discussed in the past, pulled out of the building plans when taken to the community for a vote, yet we have a crowded work space that has not evolved with the changing times and equipment changes have been made, to the point that we have a new milk cooler that we are not using due to space. The kitchen is crowded and we looked for options to make some improvements so we toured the kitchen.
c. Although it would be great to increase the space, it is not feasible to expand into the courtyard area- difficult access for construction, plumbing on that wall, etc.
d. The main issue is space—space and how that impacts safety, efficiency, and operations.
e. There was agreement in exploring an option of replacing the wall with a serving area to gain space. Need to get Stacy and Julie to take a look and then see if there is agreement to move forward with exploring this option.

5. Parking Lot across from JrHi Building- Supt Strosahl reported he spoke with Tim Boardman about the district parking lot to see what the level of interest is and what kind of timeframe they are looking at. Tim shared there is no timeframe as everything is very preliminary. He said he would get back to us if and when things got more serious. The amount the district paid for paving and the market value of the property according to the county website was shared with Tim.
    a. City of Elgin- parking lot question update
    b. Paving cost paid $67,600
    c. Assessed market value $21,800

6. Other items for the good of the order

Committee Members:

Present: Darrin Strosahl, Trevor Schultz, Jan Sackreiter, Doug Grisim, Scott Flattum, Roger Rahman

Absent: Stacy Fox, Julie LaBare, Corey VanHouten (community member), Matt Davidson (community member)