

BURLINGTON SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

Minutes of June 18, 2009

Chairman Thomas F. Murphy, Jr. called this meeting of the Burlington School Building Committee to order at 7:00 p.m. in the School Committee Room, Administration Offices, 123 Cambridge Street, Burlington, Massachusetts. Members present: Eric Conti, Chris Monaco, John Clancy, Sonia Rollins, Jenn Baxter, Karen Rickershauser, Michelle Burnham, Rob Schlansky, Kevin Sullivan. Also present: Architects Kevin Buckley, Mike Williams, OPM Paul Griffin, landscape architect Andy Rojas and civil engineers Sandra Brock and Erica Joyce.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Sonia Rollins and seconded by Chris Monaco to approve minutes of 5/28/09; motion carried 8-0-0.

LANDSCAPE

Landscape architect Andy Rohaus reviewed schematics of exterior spaces and materials including:

- 2 playgrounds (one for under 5 year olds which will be fenced and one for 6 – 12 year olds which will have a surface of poured rubber)
- new trees & bushes – flowering or shade varieties with little maintenance requirements
- plants – non-invasive and mostly native
- 3 playing fields – baseball, softball, and soccer
- permanent trash receptacles on site which will have a metal housing anchored into the ground and a removable basket
- Large granite planter to side of building with base high enough for children to sit on
- sidewalk in front of building will be retained with new sidewalks constructed

Kevin Buckley suggested creating a subcommittee for the playground and exterior features; Kevin Sullivan, Michele Burnham and Debbie Sullivan volunteered to serve on this new subcommittee.

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT

Civil Engineer Sandra Brock reviewed a schematic detailing the groundwater drainage system and features. A 20,000-gallon cistern will gather roof water and recycle the water for toilets.

Action Items

As a result of these presentations, after questions and discussion, Building Committee members requested the following action items:

- the larger playground will be reconfigured with an area for swings – Mr. Rohaus
- research recycle bottle/can containers- Mr. Rohaus
- Michelle Burnham requested that the tree next to the flagpole be relocated as it's a tree planted in memory of a child – Mr. Rohaus will locate, identify, and store the tree for an expected replanting/rededication.

- An estimate for an irrigation system for the play fields will be obtained
- As bioretention is not allowed for stormwater, Architect Buckley will work with the Planning and Building Departments to resolve
- Snow management plan will be presented at next meeting by Paul Griffin
- Design a cistern for the front of the building to collect roof runoff to water plant materials
- Reconfigure bathrooms to accommodate more stalls by possibly using trough sinks – Kevin Buckley

Architect Buckley will attend a Recreation meeting tomorrow afternoon to define needs and finalize the level of the three playing fields.

Upcoming timeline for project:

- Design/development documents due to SBA at end of June
- Construction documents due to SBA in December
- Bids for the project requested – January
- Construction begins – Spring 2010
- Open new Memorial School – August 2011
- Demolish old Memorial – Winter 2012
- Fill fields – Spring 2012

The Committee decided that the next meeting will be Thursday, August 20.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Gilbert
Recording Secretary

Date submitted: 8/20/09

Date approved: 8/20/09