

MINUTES

School Safety and Security Committee
Tuesday, May 5, 2020
7:30 P.M.
Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

First Selectman, Pat Del Monaco called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

Pat Cosentino commented that the staff of Consolidated and MHHS had a parade with about 100 cars and 6 schoolbuses and it went very well and the spectators abided by the 6 feet rule. The 2 police officers did a great job. She thanked Adam Wagnblas and said she hoped the police officers would be there when they did it again on Thursday and Adam said they would both be there.

Meeting Dates and Locations

Pat Del Monaco discussed setting a meeting date in June. Rich Sanzo suggested that Christine O'Hare from JCJ weigh in on the date since they are trying to coordinate presentations with the PBC.

Christine O'Hare stated that a meeting as soon as the first week of June would be fine. June would focus on the High School since they are focusing on Consolidated at this meeting. They will have turned in their estimating package by then, although things won't be final. They are planning on doing a public presentation the first week of June so it would be a good idea to meet with the School Safety and Security Committee prior to going with the public presentation in the event there was any issue they needed to address.

Pat Del Monaco asked if June 1 or 2 was good for everyone. June 1 was decided to be the next meeting.

Alteris Update

Rich Sanzo stated that the School Emergency Response teams are working with Alteris-there will be trainings this month through Zoom. Alteris is thinking about providing guidance on the school reopening. He and Christine met with Brian this past Friday about his thoughts on the Consolidated and Meeting House design and he will talk more about it in Executive Session.

SVPP Grant Update

Rich Sanzo stated that 4/28 was the deadline for filing the grant, which was successfully filed-he had shared the narrative with the Committee. There were 4 areas that were filed with the grant: additional radio communication, additional video surveillance, security consultant with Alteris, and the Director of School Security position. The application totaled a little more than \$400,000. It is a 3 year grant if awarded. The webinar he attended before COVID indicated the results would be available in September.

Anthony Yorio asked if the \$400,000 is to be amortized over 3 years or \$400,000 per year.

Rich Sanzo stated that it is over the course of 3 years that the sum of the grant needs to be spent. For example, some of the capital items could be purchased immediately but annual contracts and salary could be divided over the 3 years.

Anthony Yorio asked if there would be 3 years for the Director of Security position in the \$400,000.

Rich Sanzo stated that yes, that is correct.

Executive Session

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to enter into Executive Session, to discuss School Safety Design and Committee for School Building projects and on Security Measures, which was seconded by Samantha Mannion and approved by all. Pat Del Monaco invited Ed Sbordone and Rick Regan, BOE, Khris Hall, BOS, Katie Gangen, Langham and Christine O'Hare and Lauren Brickman from JCJ to enter Executive session.

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Samantha Mannion and approved by all.

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