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School Safety and Security Committee Monday, September 14, 2020 7:30 P.M. Zoom Meeting

Call to Order

Patricia Del Monaco, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:35 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Meeting Dates and Locations

Pat Del Monaco stated that 4 weeks to the next meeting is October 12, which is Columbus Day. Rich Sanzo said that October 19 looks fine. Pat Del Monaco stated that November 16 would be the next date, which was okay with everyone. It was decided to put December 14 tentatively on the calendar.

School Dismissal Support

Dr. Pat Cosentino addressed this and thanked everyone for their support. Today was week 3 of the school year and they had challenges at the beginning of school with dismissal. A lot of families had their children come to school in cars, which was encouraged at the beginning, but the buses are empty and the parents are now encouraged to put their kids on the buses. This week ELC starts and the schools have been on an hour early dismissal which will go back to full time next week. It has been very challenging. Tim Simpkins and James D'Amico will be going to the High School tomorrow to make sure the he is okay with all of the kids being in school. They have a new school dismissal manager APP which was not always working correctly. The little kids were taking longer to get to their parent's car. Traffic is better now and only MHHS and Consolidated have problems. The police/SRO and Administrators have all been helping. Now they are okay-when she sent the issue to be included on the Agenda the situation was dire, but it is better now. She will discuss it more at Wednesday's meeting.

School Safety Design Committee for School Building Projects Executive Session

Pat Del Monaco made a motion to enter executive session for purposes of discussing this. She invited Christine O'Hare and Jeff Elliot from JCJ, Katie Gangun from Langham, Rick Regan,BOE and Ed Sbordone- BOE, Finance Director and Treasurer, Rick McCracken-CES, Scott Pellman and Mark Schweitzer from Colliers. Samantha Mannion seconded the motion and all in favor.

Adjournment

Pat Del Monaco made a motion for adjournment. Samantha Mannion seconded. All in favor.