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To: Pelham School Board
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Re: Pelham Memorial School Project Update
Date June 2, 2021
CC: Deb Mahoney, Business Administrator
Sarah Marandos, Director of Curriculum



As part of our Board Meetings, I will provide a routine update on the Pelham Memorial School Project.

Building Committee

Principal Maghakian held the first Building Committee meeting. We set our norms, set up two possible dates for the groundbreaking, scheduled ourselves moving forward on the fourth Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting is June 23 from 6 - 7.

Pre-Construction

- Continued efforts related to energy rebates, relocation of the existing electrical transformer, site plan adjustment for gas easement, and inclusion of local contractors.
- Trident has requested an onsite review by Pennichuck Water.
- Principal Maghakian is working with Boyden's and Trident to save and relocate (when possible) outside memorials. She has notified family members.
- Barriers added to phasing plan between student walkway and gas easement.

Design

- Continued efforts to complete design details in all areas including food services and building's roof plans to accommodate the possibility of future solar panels.
- Foundation bid documents will be completed next week.
- The stage area needs to be wired for Pelham TV and a meeting is being scheduled with Jim Greenwood.
- Additional feedback will be needed from Unified Arts teachers in the design development phase.
- The design team needs to identify the storage location of equipment including the snowblower and fuel.

- The door access control and security and the intercom and clock systems need to be reviewed and placed.
- Temporary septic connection design is needed for the modular building.

Planning and Permitting

- Continued communications with Pelham Fire Department and the Pelham Planning Director.
- We have requested the project be on the June 7 Planning Board agenda.
- The Project Management Team met with Lt. Hodge of the Pelham Fire Department to review the placement of fire hydrants and the phasing / logistics plans.
- Updated Phasing plans have been delivered to the Pelham Fire Department.
- The town's building inspector will issue a foundation-only permit to allow foundation work to begin.

Price Escalation

Trident will continue to monitor the local market conditions and work to reduce the risk associated with price increases and labor shortages.

- Cost of materials is increasing and fewer trades are available.
- Site contractors are ready to go for our project.
- Some materials costs are dependent on timing and specs such as concrete foundation, galvanized deck, steel joists.