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To: Pelham School Board
From: Chip McGee
Re: Pelham Memorial School Project Update
Date June 16, 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. Board member Bressette has put Superintendent McGee in touch with the Old Home Day organizers. Excavation of Time Capsule to be scheduled to allow for photographs and display. 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, an onsite review by Pennichuck Water, saving and relocating (when possible) outside memorials, adding barriers to phasing plan.
- The first of two local contractor sessions have been held at PMS. The next is on June 17.
- Harriman is updating the utilities site plan.

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 scheduled from Unified Arts teachers in the design development phase.
- The design team has inventoried equipment storage needs through Ray Wilkins.

- The door access control and security and the intercom and clock systems vendors have been shared with Trident.
- Temporary septic and water connections across gas lines are in design.
- We have had initial discussion about eliminating the niche between the new administration area and nurse space.

Planning and Permitting

- Continued communications with Pelham Fire Department, the Pelham Planning Director, and the Pelham Building Inspector. .
- We have confirmed the project will be on the June 21 Planning Board agenda represented by Trident (Dave Mermelstein) and Pelham School District (Chip McGee).
- We have received approval from NHDES of our application to replace the PMS sewage disposal system.

Price Escalation

Trident will continue to monitor the local market conditions and work to reduce the risk associated with price increases and labor shortages. The state of NH legislature currently has \$30 million in building aid for the next biennium instead of the anticipated \$50 million making building aid for Pelham very unlikely.