



SEPTEMBER 9TH 2014
REGULAR GOVERNING BOARD MEETING
MINUTES

Members of the Governing Board may attend either in person or by telephone conference call.

Members present; Kevin Hartigan, President; Pete Shearer, Clerk; Brian Donehoo, Member; SuZan Pearce, Member; Judi Beckerleg, Member

Mr. Hartigan moved to call the meeting to order at 5:06 PM. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Hartigan moved for approval of the agenda with the exception of moving the Superintendents Report to follow the Maintenance Report. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

CALL TO THE COMMUNITY

We value input from our community. This time has been set aside for anyone from the audience to address the Board. Please remember, this is not an appropriate venue to evaluate, discuss, or criticize district personnel.

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The Governing Board President may elect to place a time limit on remarks.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Governing Board Meeting Minutes: (BEDG, BEDG-R)
August 12th Regular Meeting Minutes

- B. Approval of Vouchers (DK, DK-E-2961)
 - 1. Payroll # 4- \$73,434.92
 - 2. Expenditure # 6931 - \$164,815.09 # 7000 - \$89,928.52

- C. Job Positions & Descriptions – Psychologist/Counselor, A.P. Business Technician, A.R. Business Technician
- D. Certified Staff - Resignation of Angela Dixon–PT Spanish Teacher. Fit Kids Position-New Hire, Michael Kroner; Substitutes- Jennifer Allen, Rachel Smith, Gretchen Bilton, Mary Ann Garvey, Slim Woodruff
- E. Classified Personnel - Volunteer for MS Soccer-Charles Townsend, Volunteer for HS Volleyball-Tami Legaspi;

Ms. Beckerleg requested to pull Item E to discuss volunteers. The District has paperwork on volunteers and fingerprint checks are required for unsupervised access to students.

Mr. Hartigan moved for approval of the consent agenda as presented. Mr. Donehoo seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

OLD BUSINESS

Discussion and Approval of the Danielson Teacher Evaluation Model

Mr. Hartigan moved for approval of the Danielson Teacher Evaluation Model for the 2014-2015 school year. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

Discussion and Approval of Job Descriptions for: Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable, and Psychologist/Counselor

Mr. Hartigan moved for approval of the Job Descriptions for the Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable and the Psychologist/Counselor positions as presented. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

NEW BUSINESS

No New Business was discussed at this time.

REPORTS (ARS 38-431.02 K)

PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

- As written, Principal and Administration will be available for discussion.

Dr. Bria covered questions related to the Principals report

MAINTENANCE REPORT

- As written, the Foreman will be available for discussion.

Dr. Bria covered questions related to the Maintenance report.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Dr. Bria requested a special board meeting for Thursday at 7:30 AM for the approval of the roofing contract. Dr. Bria shared that this should have gone to the Board earlier last spring. It is the recommendation of administration that the Board approve the funding for the roofing contract.

CONSIDERATIONS OF ITEMS FOR THE NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Next Board Meeting on October 14th, Work Study Session will be at 5:30 PM and the regular board meeting will begin at 6:30 PM.

Work Session – goals, graduation options, bullying prevention.

Regular Meeting – Volunteer Policies, Superintendent Report; Spanish Teacher, Policy dictating procedures.

RECESS

Mr. Hartigan moved to recess the regular school board meeting at 6:16PM until 6:30 PM. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion.at 6:16 pm. The motion carried 5/0.

SEPTEMBER 9TH 2014 SPECIAL GOVERNING BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Hartigan moved to call the meeting back to order at 6:34 PM. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mr. Hartigan moved to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion. The motion carried 5/0.

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There was no response to the Call to the Community

NEW BUSINESS

Discussion and possible action regarding reconsideration of District's position on the request by the Town of Tusayan to utilize District property for an access route in the Town's application to the US Forest Service for approval of the Kotzin/Stilo development project. The Board may vote to discuss this matter in executive session to receive legal advice from, and/or give direction to, the District's legal counsel pursuant to ARS §38-431.03(A)(3).

Mr. Hartigan turned the meeting over to Dr. Shonny Bria

Dr. Bria introduced herself and Dr. Diana Gilsinger as a co-facilitator for the meeting. Dr. Bria outlined how the meeting would operate and explained that there are a few presentations that will take place first. After the presenters individuals who wish to speak on the topic will do so. There will be no time limit. It is desired that everyone feels that they have been heard.

As presenters and individuals speak it is the goal to capture the salient points which will be recorded. Presenters and Speakers will be asked to review the captured points written down and if they are correct.

After each presenter and speaker the Board member will have the opportunity to place any questions they may have on the “Parking Lot” page. Dr. Bria explained that most of the time the questions on the “Parking Lot” page are answered as the presenters and individuals speak. If the question is not answered as the evening progresses with the name noted the question can be addressed for further inquiry.

If another presenter or speaker has the same thoughts and comments as a previous speaker a check mark will be placed by the previous notation showing multiple people have spoken to this item.

The first presentation was Greg Bryan, Mayor of Tusayan. Mr. Bryan stated he hoped through this meeting that some of the information would be clarified. Mr. Bryan presented a large aerial map of the town of Tusayan showing the school property and the proposed road for access to Kotzin Ranch, simply to give reference to what is being talked about at this time.

Mr. Bryan turned the time over to Mr. Simino of the U.S. Forest Service and asked to give additional comments during the audience participation. Dr. Bria assured him he would be able to speak later.

Mr. Simino provided a copy of the deed, a small map of the area and some brief talking points. He explained the application process starts out with a parcel of land and in this case the Town of Tusayan that wishes to have access to the parcel of land. The town submits an application to the forest service. The application is reviewed internally first, then submitted further through two more steps through their regional office and the Washington office. After the screening it is then determined if it will be accepted or not accepted.

Originally the Stilo group submitted the application for the easement. The Forest Service thought it better for the Town of Tusayan to be the permit applicant. The application was returned and the Town of Tusayan then submitted an application.

The application determines the proposed action and is what the Forest Service bases their actions on. The Forest Service went to the town and asked them to propose alternatives that use the most existing roads already in place.

Approximately a month and a half ago the Forest Service accepted the application. Once the application was accepted the Forest Service started a cost recovery process of billing the applicant for the NEPA analysis process. If this is accepted the NEPA process begins. The application was considered a proposed action for this NEPA process.

Once the proposed action is received it will be put out for internal scoping and external scoping. It will then go out to the public and specialist for comment. The issues are often identified by the comments. Those issues will then drive other alternatives for the NEPA process. The Forest Service supervisor Mike White will look through the issues and determine if he wants a wider range of alternatives to aid in making a clear informed decision at the end of the process.

Once the alternatives are determined, a specialist will determine the potential effects of all alternatives are to the human, natural and economic environment. The results of the analyses will go out to the public for review and will be open to public comment. This is referred to as the “objection period.” The objection period is for folks to make comments through the scoping process and can object to the draft decision.

The Forest Service and the folks who objected will work through those objections and come out with a decision. Mr. Simino explained that this is the basic process and may have a slight variation depending on if it is an EA or an EIS process.

Mr. Simino noted on the map that the Forest Service retained an 80 foot easement off of Long Jim Loop road. The Forest Service reserves the right to pass the easement through the use of permits to those who go through the application process. The Forest Service also reserved a 60 foot easement on the gravel road that goes by the basketball area to the substation.

Mr. Hartigan asked if the Forest Service has the right to grant easement on the property how does this affect the application when the access leaves the property? This question was placed in the "Parking Lot".

Mr. Shearer commented that he does not believe that the route that is being shown is the same route that was presented in May, and asked how this affected the application? This question was placed in the "Parking Lot."

Mr. Bryan wanted to make sure that it was understood that this is only a proposed route and it is one of two routes, Kotzin North and Kotzin South. The route being discussed is Kotzin South. He continued that initially there were 5 or 6 routes. It was requested of the town to reduce the number of options to 2 and to go through the public process.

Mr. Bryan stressed to the public that this is not saying "this is the route", it is a proposed route, and it is not the only route. It is the only route coming from the south. He continued that a traffic study will be required in the NEPA process. Not only is this required in the NEPA process but also in the pre-annexation development agreement that the Town has with the developer.

The traffic study will be required to address such items as full build out, peak loads, safety etc. One question was related to why a traffic study wasn't done and presented at the presentation. It is because you have to have something to study. A route has to be provided to have information to study.

Mr. Bryan expressed his understanding of what was approved by the Board in May. That being, the option of the road that continued a little further along Long Jim Loop and went around more of the school property vs. the other option that would cut through a proposed ball field. In reference to the 80 foot easement, Mr. Bryan says where the road and easement are planned the road would be off of school property by about 8.3 feet. As the road would come around and is not part of the easement, the easement would go to zero depending how far you go on Long Jim Loop to the north before you cut west for the 80 foot easement.

The easement is in the Quit Claim Deed and it indicates that the Forest Service has the right to use the easement and it also has the right to allow or transfer use through a permit.

In reference to questions from previous meetings, Mr. Bryan commented that it is not logical to think that the forest service would revert all of the ELGA land when it allows a permittee to use the road for the purpose for which it sought the permit. Mr. Bryan said the town is asking for the permission to use that access.

The use of KS1 in this case would cause the developer to pay for upgrades and the building of that road to the standards that are required by the Forest Service. At the same time the developer will be putting in utilities.

Mr. Bryan asked if the High School was built, who would be responsible to bring the utilities the school? He went on to say that this is an opportunity for somebody other than the school or the town to pay for the utilities. He continued that the Town has spent a large amount of money in working with the school in the development of this area. The town has always come to and talked with and gotten support and approval from the School Board.

Mr. Bryan stated the District plan is to build a High School, not an elementary school. High Schools have different demands and different considerations than an Elementary School. ADOT and University of Texas did research and the finding was that a High School due to its nature is more properly located next to arterial road verses smaller residential roads. The roads and access are more necessary because of the student drivers.

It is Mr. Bryans' understanding that the school is planned to be built further back, not up close to the sports complex. This serves a good purpose as access can be closed off while still providing access for the sports complex.

The Road will provide as a minimum 2 fourteen foot paved surfaces, in addition an 8 foot wide bike and pedestrian path on either side of the paved surfaces will be provided. He stated that this improvement would provide a safer travel path than is currently in place for pedestrians and bicyclist.

Kotzin access will serve residential first and eventually some commercial. It is not intended to service the numbers that have been thrown around of the 2 or 3 million square feet of commercial space. Those numbers include development in Tusayan as well as Ten X.

Mr. Bryan commented that Kotzin has defined densities and defined uses. The primary use of this easement is to provide access to the residential and services that will be up there. This access is important because it allows student drivers to avoid coming down through town, parents having to come down through town to get to the school. It will provide a safer access to the sports complex when it is finished being built.

Mr. Bryan asked the Board to look at the facts presented and to remember that this is a proposal not the end. It may look nothing like this after the public process. All that has been asked to begin with is that the Board work with the town and put a line on a map to be studied. It was never the only solution.

Mr. Hartigan had a question about code and having 2 routes. This questions was placed in the "Parking Lot."

Ms. Pearce noted that the area would accommodate an 8 foot wide bike and pedestrian and also noted that it is not actually written in the proposal to have the 8 foot wide bike and pedestrian path.

Ms. Beckerleg inquired as to clearer information related to what type of development that will take place in the Kotzin Ranch area.

Mr. Donehoo asked for clarification on routes. The Board is being told that 2 routes are being considered however at this point only one of those options is presented to the forest service. Mr.

Donehoo believed at a previous meeting the Board was told there was going to be both a northern and southern option. Mr. Donehoo has only seen one option, and is this the only option? Will both route options be presented for consideration or, has one been taken off the table?

Ms. Pearce asked about the Boards' role in this decision. How does the Boards' decision affect the Forest Service process?

Ms. Clarinda Vail reviewed and talked and listed several things that in her opinion the town has come together to better the community. These things have beautified the area and improved the quality of life. However, Ms. Vail feels that this proposal is in the wrong direction. She referred to the maps and reminded the Board that these are people walking, mothers with strollers, and small kids on their bicycles. Ms. Vail pointed out the areas of Tusayan and other residential areas.

Ms. Vail expressed great concern about residents that live in this area already that walk and ride bikes. There is concern for all ages of kids go to and from the sports court and playground area. There is also concern for the already developed areas that the proposal would affect. Ms. Vail does not think it is a good idea to put any kid at risk for the density of this development. Even if there are two options one cannot choose or know which way people will go.

Keep in mind with housing that is present, variances have been provided in the residential area due to the amount of J1 workers and seasonal employees. Some of these houses and apartments have less parking spacing than required to zoning at the time. J1 workers do not come with their vehicle, they walk everywhere.

Ms. Vail asked the Board to think about the future of this area. The sports court and playground and facilities were built for everyone, children of all ages. In her opinion it is wrong to only focus on this area as being a High School area and hopes that this is not the case. There is already a playground for young kids. There are plans for future softball, soccer fields, and facilities that can be used by any age.

Ms. Vail says that this proposal has not been presented to the public for comment. There has been no opportunity to discuss this option prior to being submitted in the proposal.

Robin Silver, PO Box 1178, Flagstaff, AZ. 86002 – Why are we here when the Forest Service says the school does not have any say in the approval? The language in the deed states that the Forest Service owns 80 feet. The questions is why are we here and why is the Board being used? What difference is it if you have no choice?

The words in the Deed are specific at the top of page 2, related to the said easement is for a construction, reconstruction, maintenance and full, free, and quiet use and enjoyment of the existing roads.... When looking at this proposal as an industrial road, is this full, free, and quiet?

Why is the Board being asked to endorse a road of which, according to the Forest Service, the Board has no control?

The bottom line is this road hurts the park. This development hurts the park. Mr. Silver has been coming to the park for many years and commented that the infrastructure of the park is already overwhelmed. The mega construction proposed will only place further burden on the resources.

The easement is the lynch pin to this development...no easement...no access...no development.

What about the water...a large development will need a lot more water...where is the water coming from?

Mr. Hartigan would like supporting data for the 3000 persons in the development.

Andrew Aldaz, 123 La Lane, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – Talked about High School students. Mr. Aldaz gave a reminder that even High School students have young siblings in Middle School and Elementary School that would be frequenting this area. Families come to support their student athletes with siblings of all ages. Students and children of all ages from young to old will and do frequent the facility.

Events happen at all times of the day and days of the week, long term what is safe for kids?

When the community park was coming together, there was a lot of community input. Mr. Aldaz feels that this is not so much the case anymore. As the master plan has changed, community members have not seen these changes. Where is the master plan of the park, for example the water lines and the roads?

Carolyn Oberholtzer, 4455 E. Camelback Rd A201, Phoenix, AZ. 85016 – Ms. Oberholtzer introduced herself as an attorney that specializes in land use and development and represents Red Feather Properties. Ms. Oberholtzer has been engaged on the Stilo proposal since 2010. She normally finds herself on the other side assisting those who are putting forth development proposals. She was brought on to look out for the town and to know that things are being given the review that they are due.

Ms. Oberholtzer believes that the Board is being misled, misled by the town and by Stilo. She found the statements from the Forest Service tonight to be surprising. The town has submitted an application to the Forest Service that is for 3 access roads. One to Ten X, two to Kotzin, nowhere does it say for less than 3. One is for KS1 which is the south route which is being talked about here. There are two other routes in play that just don't affect the school district. That is why they are not being discussed.

Ms. Oberholtzer commented that repeatedly it has been represented that everything that has been submitted is in conformance with the development agreement and zoning and has had town approval. Ms. Oberholtzer says that this is not true. The Kotzin project requires two points of access; it is 160 acres.

The project has been given the perpetual zoning rate on 20 of the acres that the developer has retained at 575 dwelling units and up to 745 dwelling units within some of the commercial pieces as well. These figures do not account for what the town will be building on the town housing parcel. Rough numbers: 800 dwelling units at 2.5 persons per dwelling unit = 2000. To handle these kinds of numbers, the town is required to have two access points. That is why it is in the development agreement and the zoning that there be 2 points of access.

In reference to the question that comes up related to the commercial number, where does this come from? Ms. Oberholtzer explained that the developer got an approval for 100.5 acres of commercial. At an AFR (Area Floor Ratio) of .50, some of the parcels can be developed at .65 some at .25, there is a mix but an average of .50. These numbers translate into 43,560 square feet of development per acre equaling 4,356,000 square feet, for 100 acres. When one is allowed a .5 AFR, this means the developer can cover half of the total square footage with buildings. This could mean it is a small

building and tall, it does not mean it covers the whole property. This refers to the square footage of building that can go on the land. Point 5 of 4,356,000 is 2,178,000 square footage of commercial property that can be put up there. There is no minimum. There is only a maximum. They are right to say it might not be that much. Likely it won't be, but it could be that much and there is nothing to say that it won't be.

Ms. Oberholtzer suggested that had it been the case that the town had proposed roads that came through the school district in conjunction with the applications, she thinks the Board and the district would have been a whole lot more engaged with Stilo during the process. The District was engaged on a cash donation basis agreement related to the uses but this was not talking about the roads. Ms. Oberholtzer believes this is because, not this document, not any document, has ever been approved that shows the road coming through Long Jim Loop and the school district.

Ms. Oberholtzer discussed in general the Kotzin Access Plan along with exhibit C1 to the approved development plan showing the two points of access. Sharing that it was never discussed to carry all of this traffic through the residential area and the school districts property, this is where Ms. Oberholtzer believes the school district has been misled.

Ms. Oberholtzer asked the Board to reaffirm the decision that was made on July 8th, and to not open the door to this road discussion now.

Ms. Oberholtzer reviewed much of the language in the deed with special attention to the part related to the property reverting back, with an emphasis on "Shall revert back."

Robert Petzoldt, 550 Reclaim Lane, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – Mr. Petzoldt wanted to impress upon the Board, safety for the students and safety for the community. He also expressed concern about the increase in traffic for this area.

Eric Gueissaz, F.S.Rd. 328A, Grand Canyon, AZ. 86023 – Mr. Gueissaz reviewed what he thought Mr. DePaolo's dream was years ago for the community and area, and compared it to now from his point of view.

Why do they have 2 access roads to Kotzin Ranch and only one access road to Ten X? He has concerns related to mass transit as well as traffic issues at the park entrance. Mr. Gueissaz believes that further development will only compound these issues further.

Mr. Gueissaz referenced a JD Hayworth Bill. Mr. Gueissaz reminded the Board that they have responsibility to the students and the parents and the land owners of which taxes are paid to maintain the school district. Mr. Geuissaz asked the Board to please reconsider what is being proposed and to not allow this to happen.

Bill Fitzgerald, 549 Camper Village Land Sp 201, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – Mr. Fitzgerald referenced Mr. Simino and his presentation saying that he went to the town counsel. Mr. Fitzgerald commented that he is tired of the phrase, the town Counsel has said this, has discussed this. Mr. Fitzgerald stated that when the Mayor signed the application, that Mr. Fitzgerald did not know it was signed. He was not aware of the signing until two weeks later and did not know what access road was being proposed. He commented that he did not find out about it through counsel actions. He learned of it through the Town's attorney.

In reference to the easement and noting that the point comes to a zero, then why are we here if the school does not have a choice? What input does the school have in this process, or is it a waste of time?

A large concern is where are they going to get the water? This is a big issue and has not been answered for many years.

Mr. Fitzgerald offered some of his thoughts and perspectives on potential alternative roads.

Craig Sanderson, PO Box 3642, Grand Canyon, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – Mr. Sanderson shared that the only reason this is the only access road that is being discussed here is because this is the one proposed access that affects the school.

Mr. Sanderson would like to see the Board approve this and let the Forest Service move forward in considering this as one of the alternatives. He added there is plenty of time here in the process.

Suzette Streit, 1599 Barry Hance Cir, Grand Canyon, AZ. 86023 – Ms. Streit speaking from experience and training from being a previous board member, reminded the Board that their number one priority is to students. She recommended the question that each Board Member should ask themselves when faced with a question is, “is this in the best interest of the kids?”

As far as the study on traffic for schools, Ms. Streit felt this might be more applicable to urban schools and was not sure if it would be as applicable to this area.

Mr. Hartigan called for other questions that might not be listed.

Ms. Vail asked to add the question of; when this particular item has been in front of this School Board 3 times, why the application and maps, exhibits etc. were never approved by the Tusayan Town Counsel?

Mr. Hartigan moved for a 10 minute recess at 8:34 PM. Mr. Donehoo seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Hartigan moved to reconvene the meeting at 8:52 PM. Mr. Donehoo seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Dr. Bria requested of the audience if they wished to speak to please let her know, even if they have spoken before, additional comments and input are welcomed.

John Vail, 120 Shimmy Lane, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – This access road runs directly by his house and the basketball court and tot-lot which is a playground for young children is directly across the street.

Mr. Vail commented that from his porch he can hear all of the action that goes on across the street, it is that close. The thought of having a road with this kind of traffic flying by where the town just built the tot-lot for these small children, is crazy, it is absurd!

Craig Sanderson, PO Box 3642, Grand Canyon, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – How do we ensure that the school does not lose the land?

Clarinda Vail, 120 Shimmy Lane, Tusayan, AZ. 86023 – Ms. Vail asked why the Forest Service asked for the road to be moved?

Mr. Hartigan asked for any last comments prior to the public comment portion of the meeting being closed.

There were no further comments were offered to be recorded.

In reference to the Forest Service asking to move the road to KS1 Mr. Simino commented that he asked the town to present the route that used the most existing roads already in place.

In reference to how the school keeps the land, in Mr. Siminos' eyes as long as the road is being used for the school access as well, he believes it is still meeting the intent.

In reference to numbers, Mr. Bryan commented that all of the numbers thrown out really are not relevant until the study is done. This is what the study is for, based upon the proposed density and factors, this information will come forth. This is all part of the process.

Mr. Bryan broke down the numbers for Kotzin Ranch as follows: 160 total acres / 40 Residential / 20 owned by town / 120 combination commercial, educational, and greenway. He added that the numbers are not relevant until the study is completed. Also, tonight's meeting is not to make a decision about the development. The reason the Town is here is to discuss using this route as part of their proposal.

Mr. Bryan commented that the Town's history has been to come to the school for dialog and joint decisions for developing the sports complex.

Referring to the question of why the Counsel did not vote on the application, Mr. Bryan commented that in the first amendment the town was required to make application through the first amendment. It was not necessary for the Counsel to vote on this, it was a requirement in the agreement.

Some discussion was done as a committee because, otherwise it would have been a quorum. Some discussion needed to happen with the developer to work through some details.

In reference to the access points Mr. Bryan explained that there are proposed 3 access roads, 2 for Kotzin and 1 for Ten X per the pre annexation development agreement.

The proposed routes are FS Road 328 for the north Kotzin access, Long Jim Loop for the south Kotzin access and FS Road 302 for Ten X. Alternate routes for the Ten X area will default to the existing FS Roads.

Ms. Beckerleg explained that the Board is asking so many questions about the potential development of the Kotzin area as an effort to grasp and understand what affects this would have in the future. She asked why is the Board being forced to accept this option and feels that the Board will be stuck with this option whether they want it or not. Ms. Beckerleg inquired why this option is being looked at when it is obvious by the opposition it is not desired. She expressed concern for the safety of the children and families that are already in this area. She also commented that she feels the Forest Service has forced the hand of the town.

Mr. Simino commented that nothing is being forced on anyone, the Forest Service asked for a proposal with the least amount of disturbance to the ground. In reference to other options, through the NEPA process these options will come to light and be analyzed. Mr. Simino commented again that nothing is being forced on anyone, the NEPA process will still have to be gone through, with any proposal and then a decision will be made.

Ms. Pearce inquired of the question, how does the Board's decision affect the application?

Mr. Simino commented that at the moment the Board's decision probably does not affect the application that has come forward.

Mr. Bryan reminded the Board that the Town came to discuss with the Board this route prior to submitting the application. The application was submitted with this option. This was not to say that this is the best route. This is only to say this a route to be studied.

Ms. Beckerleg shared concern related to the school being liable for that part of the road, even if the Town says they will take on the responsibility. The school is still liable and the increase of traffic causes even greater concern.

Mr. Bryan commented that the school is going to have a road. He commented that the town came as partners. The Town is represented here today and came as partners to participate and work together.

Mr. Shearer read a small excerpt from a previous board meeting minutes. He shared that the Board was told that this was for residential only and that if the Board had had more complete information in the beginning, Mr. Shearer believes that it may not have passed the first time.

Mr. Bryan apologizes for the thing that this has turned into because it was never the intent. This is a good relationship, the school board and the town. Mr. Bryan would like to see this relationship continue. Your school is our school. He continued that the town wants what is best for the school and for the kids.

Mr. Bryan asked with the additional information that has been given, the town is looking for the School Board to reaffirm the decision of May 24th.

Mr. Hartigan thanked everyone for coming and their time and giving input to this process.

Mr. Hartigan moved to go in to executive session at 9:38 PM to receive advice of counsel. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Hartigan moved to reconvene the Regular Session of the meeting reconvened at 11:01 PM Ms. Beckerleg seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Hartigan predicated his motion, because it was expressed through this presentation that this process has already been started and can't be changed presently. Mr. Hartigan motioned that the school district at this time is neither for nor against the road and reserves making a decision until further information is provided from the NEPA scoping process. Ms. Pearce seconded the motion. The motion failed 2-3.

Ms. Pearce appreciates the effort of the town to get the School Board’s input and be a good neighbor. She also appreciates the safety concerns that have been brought to the Board’s attention. Ms. Pearce personally feels it is pretty hard to make a decision on this without knowing a lot more information. Ms. Pearce feels that this information will be coming through the NEPA process whether the Board wants it to or not.

Mr. Shearer moved for the District to uphold the July 8th decision being against the scoping process. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-2.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hartigan moved adjourn the meeting at 11:13 pm. Ms. Beckerleg seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Barbara Shields, Board Secretary & Date

Kevin Hartigan, President

Pete Shearer, Clerk

Judi Beckerleg, Member

SuZan Pearce, Member

Brian Donehoo, Member