

Minutes for LHS School Building Committee for September 22, 2008

The meeting was opened at 4:31 PM by CO-Chair Christine Swanson. In attendance were Ron Hirsch, Roland Joyal, Christine Swanson, Danielle Judge, Richard Bistran, Paul Pasterczyk, Mark Sirulnik, Jahn Hart, Larry Berte, Gwen Bruns, Peter Greenberg and Paul Santaniello.

Owners Project Manager (OPM)

Paul Pasterczyk gave an update on the OPM procurement. We have received a list of twelve vendors which was given to all members present. We do not know how many will attend the tour of the High School on Oct 1st.

Committee Update

There will be two tours of LHS. The first date, October 18th will start at 11:30 due to a conflict with PSAT's being administered that day. There was a discussion of doing one or two tours that day due to the late start time. After much deliberation, Larry Berte said he would work with Adrian Phanuef and Bobby Barkett to coordinate times (and mapping the tour) to offer two tours. Paul Pasterczyk suggested that there is coordination with what is shown on the tour dates. Rich Bistran suggested that SBC members help out with the tours.

Public Forums

There will be two public presentation forums on the warrant article and why it needs to be passed. The forums will be presented by Roland Joyal and Peter Greenberg offered to be presenters. The forums will take place on 10/14, during the day for PTO/PAC's & 10/22 at 7:00 PM for the general public, at the LHS Auditorium, and 10/16 at the Senior Center. SB members are encouraged to attend the forums for support and questions, if necessary. The 10/22 presentation may have to be moved to the BTC at the High School due to Senior Class play rehearsal.

It was pointed out that the SBC should highlight the \$600,000 worth of repairs to LHS and what was done to get the High School off NEASC warning, and possibly adding a slide of maintenance already done at LHS, since it is part of the components that the MSBA looks at.

LCTV

Longmeadow Community Television will be remaking a video tour of LHS and will broadcast it over the month of October.

Articles & Letters

Volunteers from the SBC are being asked to submit articles and letters to the editor in support on the Warrant article at the fall Town Meeting and for passage on the November 4th ballot. The letters should be from our areas of expertise and background. All letters will be submitted to Chris Swanson first and she would then forward them to the area papers.

Web Site

The SBC will have a web site as a link off Longmeadow.org which will list minutes, biographies of committee members, and pertinent information regarding the LHS SBC and the MSBA. Peter Greenberg will receive all bio's and will work with Jim Moran to get them on the web site.

Warrant Article

There was discussion of the definition of the warrant article, the purpose of it, what the \$750,000.00 is for and the effects I would have on the average homeowner. Also, we should have a slide that shows Longmeadow debt and what is coming off the books and what impact it will have if the Warrant Article and Debt Exclusion pass.

Next meeting date is Monday, October 6, 2008 at 5:00 at LHS.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Santaniello