

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
SOUTH BURLINGTON SCHOOL BOARD
WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2019
Executive Session at 11:30 A.M.
Regular Meeting at 12:00 P.M.
Frederick H. Tuttle Middle School
Superintendent's Office Conference Room**

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Bridget Burkhardt, Martin LaLonde, Alex McHenry via phone, Brian Minier

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, Gary Marckres, Attorney David Rugh via phone

GUESTS

No guests

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered executive session at 11:31 p.m. to discuss contracts and/or confidential attorney-client communications under 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(A) and/or (F) and added that it would be significantly disadvantageous to the district not to do so in executive session. The Board requested that David Young, Gary Marckres and Attorney David Rugh attend executive session. The motion was approved.

For the Board to discuss contracts and/or confidential attorney-client communications under 1 V.S.A. § 313(a)(1)(A) and/or (F)

In: 11:31 a.m.

Out: 11:59 p.m.

No Action

The executive session was closed at 11:59 a.m.

PRESENT

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Bridget Burkhardt, Martin LaLonde, Alex McHenry via phone, Brian Minier

ADMINISTRATION/STAFF

David Young, Gary Marckres, David Rugh via phone, Meg Collins

GUESTS

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REGULAR SESSION

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were none.

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Add item 7A, Master Planning and Visioning Update.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ADDENDUM TO AGREEMENT FOR THE EXCHANGE OF RIGHTS AND INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY WITH THE CITY OF SOUTH BURLINGTON

Elizabeth Fitzgerald noted that this item is still under discussion as there are certain items that need to be responded to by the City. She is hoping to resolve outstanding issues in a meeting with the City next week. This will be brought back to a future meeting for consideration.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE STORMWATER OPERATIONAL PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 180 MARKET STREET AND MARCOTTE SCHOOL

Elizabeth Fitzgerald noted that items 5-7 on this agenda are contingent on item 4. The Board is looking at dates to call a special meeting once they get permit applications to move that along. David Rugh noted that they received the application materials on Friday, July 5. More material was received last night and it is out for review. This will be brought back to a future meeting for consideration.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH BURLINGTON'S PROPOSED SITE PLAN APPLICATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE 0.7-ACRE EASEMENT AREA THAT THE SCHOOL DISTRICT IS TO CONVEY TO THE CITY

David Rugh stated that he received draft site plan materials on Friday, July 5. He is reviewing the material with an outside consultant and will respond to the City very soon with any concerns. Tim McKenzie of South Burlington Realty noted concerns he has regarding access to his lot from School Street. Safety of children is also his concern. He would like to be sure the street is designed as safely as can be but he also needs access to his lot.

Ilona Blanchard recommended a walk-thru on the improvements on the Rick Marcotte site plan if it would be helpful to the Board to see the entry, new parking, sidewalks, etc. The Board said they would like a walk-thru. Ilona Blanchard provided the site plan to the Board and discussed the various improvements. There was discussion. Ilona Blanchard suggested that the Board/School District send a representative to the contractor meetings where all scheduling takes place.

This will be brought back to a future meeting for consideration.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION LICENSE TO THE CITY AND ITS CONTRACTORS FOR THE MARCOTTE SCHOOL PARKING AREA RECONSTRUCTION AND CONSTRUCTION OF THE 180 MARKET STREET PROJECT

David Rugh noted that this is part of the construction phasing. The district is waiting on additional information beyond draft materials. Meetings with both parties will take place to move this forward. This will be brought back to a future meeting for consideration.

Attorney David Rugh left the meeting at 12:39 p.m.

MASTER PLANNING AND VISIONING UPDATE

Bridget Burkhardt reported that a working group meeting is taking place every two weeks. A meeting was held at Dore and Whittier this morning. In July there will be two user group meetings. The high school user group meeting will be July 16 from 10:00 am – 3:00 pm at Dore and Whittier. A user group meeting for the middle school will take place on July 22. The meeting participants will be mostly staff and administrators and possibly some parents. Outlines of a design will be presented for discussion.

Bridget Burkhardt also noted that additional user group meetings will be scheduled in July and August. There will be discussion about how things are situated on the site, one being a possible indoor track and field facility. Another discussion item will be the size of the performing arts space, should it be just for school or bigger to accommodate performances by outside groups. Meeting participants will include school staff, some outside folks involved with track and field around the state, and city and recreation staff.

A meeting for school staff and parents will take place in July. In August a larger parent user group meeting will take place, inclusive of parents of students attending South Burlington Schools as well as parents of those who have completed their schooling. There will be more input into the design of the schools. Meetings are being scheduled now. Invitations will be provided to those having shown an interest and a wider solicitation will go out in the Other Paper. The invitee list is not being limited, but they did want to invite some to attend due to the timing of things and summer vacation. There will be a press release in a couple of weeks. Bridget Burkhardt will be the primary spokesperson for the group.

Gary Marckres and David Young are attending meetings on the financing of the project.

Dore and Whittier provided the bones of the design for the working group today. They will be provided to the working group and affinity group for input as they move forward.

A community member asked the Board to use social media to get to the broader audience in SB who don't have students in the school any longer.

DISTRICT POLICY REVIEW**Policy D4 Drug and Alcohol Testing: Transportation Employees**

Martin LaLonde moved and Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion to approve policy D4 Drug and Alcohol Testing: Transportation Employees. A vote was taken by roll call. All were in favor. The motion passed.

NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Elizabeth Fitzgerald noted that factfinding between the School Board and the South Burlington Educators Association was held yesterday. The factfinding report should be available in 30 – 45 days with a non-binding recommendation to move the parties toward settlement.

SET AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST 7, 2019 MEETING

The Board discussed the agenda for the June 19, 2019 School Board meeting.

CONSIDER THE MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF JUNE 6, JUNE 17, JUNE 19 AND JUNE 24, 2019

Elizabeth Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the Board to approve the minutes of June 6, June 17, June 19 and June 24, 2019. There were no objections.

CONSENT AGENDA**Hires**

Jennifer Burton, 1.0 FTE Technology Integrationist at South Burlington High School

Kara Cassani, .30 FTE School Nurse at Orchard School

Katherine Crouch, 1.0 FTE Speech Language Pathologist at South Burlington High School

Mikayla Hines, 1.0 FTE Special Education Teacher at Orchard School

Jaclyn Parrott, 1.0 FTE English Language Teacher at Orchard School

Jennifer Signorino, 1.0 FTE Elementary Teacher at Rick Marcotte Central School

Bids

Palo Alto Hardware (Firewall)

Athletic Trainer

Elizabeth Fitzgerald announced general consensus of the Board to approve the consent agenda as presented.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDERS #48 and #49

The Board reviewed accounts payable orders #48 and #49.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE ORDER CHECK TO HOWARD CENTER FOR HUMAN SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$127,325.46

Martin LaLonde moved to approve the Accounts Payable Order Check to Howard Center for Human Services in the amount of \$127,325.46, Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion. A vote was taken by roll call. All were in favor. The motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Martin LaLonde motioned to adjourn. Bridget Burkhardt seconded the motion. A vote was taken by roll call. All were in favor. The motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 12:56 p.m.

Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Chair

Bridget Burkhardt, Clerk