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SOUTH KINGSTOWN SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

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EVENT DETAILS

TOPIC:	School Building Committee - Regular Meeting
DATE/ TIME:	Thursday, March 16, 2023 @ 5:00PM – 7:00PM
LOCATION:	Town Council Chambers, Town Hall, 2 nd Floor, 180 High Street, Wakefield, RI 02879
LIVESTREAM:	https://www.youtube.com/channel/UctDnRMRKjPkPP_GEG9NIC2Q
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Public comments must be made in-person and is welcomed after each new business item. Comments must be kept to the agenda topic being discussed at that time. The committee chair may limit the duration of comments to ensure members have adequate time to address business items.

MEETING AGENDA

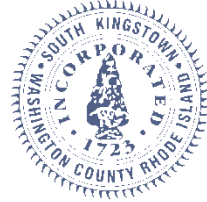
Item	Topic
1.	Call to order/ Roll call
2.	Approval of meeting minutes
New Business Items:	
3.	Review, discussion, and/ or action regarding public correspondence
4.	Chairperson's general correspondence and ongoing activities report: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• General communications and activities report• Review of NEASC visit
5.	Review of meeting with Town Bond Counsel and update regarding school building bond legislation.
6.	Presentation by Studio JAED regarding high school and athletic facility schematic design and next steps for the Stage II report
7.	Discussion regarding the school bond referendum and timeframe
8.	Planning and coordination for the 3/18 community work session
9.	Discussion and/ or action on public outreach and communication activities to include establishment of a new informational website and methods of information distribution
10.	Review and adjustments to the project master schedule and project related activities
11.	General Public Comment
12.	Scheduling of next meeting
13.	Adjournment

A VOTE MAY BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM ON THIS AGENDA

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AGENDA LINK:	The agenda for this meeting can be found on the Rhode Island Secretary of State website here: https://opengov.sos.ri.gov/OpenMeetingsPublic/OpenMeetingDashboard?subtopmenuId=201&EntityID=3348&MeetingID=1029995

MEETING NOTES

Item	Topic				
1.	Call to Order/ Roll Call				
	Meeting called to order and roll called as follows:				
		Member	Present	Absent	Notes/ Comments
		Mark Prince (MP)	X		
		Kate Macinanti (KM)	X		
		Brian Mahoney (BM)	X		
		James Manni (JM)	X		
		Chip McGair (CM)	X		
		Raquel Pellerin (RP)		X	
		David Palazzetti (DP)	X		
		Lucas Murray (LM)	X		
		Vacant	X		
		Totals			
	Quorum Present (Y/N)	Yes			

2.	<p>Approval of Meeting Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reviewed meeting minutes from 2/2/2023 and 2/16/2023 meetings b. Approval of minutes; motion made by KM and seconded by CM c. Unanimous pass 7-0
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New Business Items:

3.	<p>Review, discussion, and/ or action regarding public correspondence.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. New school building is priority b. (KM) questioned if going forward with just the High School, will that be approved by RIDE? Project included other schools but bond being used for just HS c. (LM) 5 year plan; there are other things in the plan to table d. (LM) sent out reminders including the council, school committee, building committee, & RIDE
4.	<p>Chairperson’s Report and ongoing activities report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. General communications and activities report b. Review of NEASC visit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Visit with NEASC: (CM) accrediting body comes approximately every 10 years; they were impressed with support for new building, i.e. town council, school committee, building committee; school is safe, but the building produces limitations ii. NEASC: if we don’t do this project, we are throwing money at something that is limiting; new building is the most rational path; they will write up a report; they went out of their way to say that the School Building Committee has been transparent and has gone out of their way to gather feedback iii. (KM) Another group of parents met with this committee and they were very positive
5.	<p>Review of meeting with Town Bond Council and update regarding school building bond legislation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Upon successful bond vote, construction could begin Spring 2025 with completion Summer 2027 b. (CM) Getting the question: Will the address be School St. or Columbia St.? This is up to the post office c. Funding: \$119 million SK High School, \$6 million Track & Field with demo of Curtis Corner, Total \$125 million
6.	<p>Presentation from Studio JAED regarding high school and athletic facility schematic design and next steps for the Stage II report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. (LM) Moved up agenda item with no objection- Studio JAED b. Studio JAED: If we do some other projects using a different source of funding, that would be eligible for reimbursement (referring to previous question by KM) c. Studio JAED reviewed agenda for Saturday night
7.	<p>Discussion regarding the school bond referendum and timeframe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. (JM) Clarifying Question regarding funds b. (LM) Don’t want to be too restrictive on the bond; critical piece is bond language c. (LM) We want community input and public input d. We need to move on the estimate; want stage 2 to be as close to what we want, but it does not have to be exact e. (KM) Do we have confirmation that land swap is moving forward? f. (LM) We are moving in this direction so we need to start this process with DEM g. (DP) School Committee & recreation unanimously support moving forward with land swap h. (JM) Confident we can accomplish this i. School Bond Referendum timeframe: October or November; Stage 2 deadline will be September 15th

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> j. Per Phil, we should ask the school building authority k. (DP) Motion for bond vote on November 7, 2023 l. (KM) seconded motion; No discussion; All were in favor. Motion passes 7-0.
8.	Plan and coordination for the 3/18 community work session
9.	<p>Discussion and/ or action on public outreach and communication activities to include establishment of a new informational website and methods of information distribution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ideas to get the word out: visuals, website- not so wordy, moving model, 300th Anniversary Parade float, Posterboard at supermarkets and around town b. How will these ideas be funded?
10.	<p>Review and adjustments to the project master schedule and project related activities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Discussion regarding OPM b. Discussion regarding report outs c. Priority item: need project manager d. (KM) RIDE requirement; we cannot proceed without project manager e. (LM) Spring- we want an OPM on board f. 1 month from now
11.	<p>General Public Comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. There was public input around agenda items
12.	<p>Scheduling of Next Meeting (Discussion ensued)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Next scheduled meeting is 3/23/23 at 5:00 - 7:00pm
13.	<p>Adjournment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Motion to adjourn made by KM; seconded by BM; unanimous pass