

Newtown Board of Education
CIP/Facilities/Finance Sub Committee Minutes
April 4, 2017

Call to Order: At 7:05 p.m.

Present: Rebekah Harriman-Stites, Ron Bienkowski, Debbie Leidlein

Public Participation: None

Item 1 Election of Chair: Motion to nominate Rebekah Harriman-Stites as Chair. Motion passes unanimously.

Item 2 Discussion of 2017-2018 CIP

Current year CIP 2016-2017 – There is concern we will have to wait until after the referendum to know if any of the projects we have on the CIP this year will have to wait until next year.

The question of the athletic field house not having an educational value and why it was on the CIP and what makes it so necessary as to other projects was discussed. Ms. Harriman-Stites stated we need to make sure this is a physical education purpose and not just a sports purpose.

The numbers for year 2 projects on the approved plan will be reviewed again for Hawley and Middle Gate. Ms. Harriman-Stites said we will hold discussion until after the referendum to see if we will need to move projects off for next year. If we have to put off MS boiler project and in year 3 we have the Hawley project, we will have to do some big re-adjusting.

Item 3 Application for State Aid for Hawley Roof Replacement–

Mr. Bienkowski stated he opened up the project on State School Facilities website. It's the 1st step in securing a grant. Hawley is eligible because roof is 20 yrs old. Our reimbursement rate would be about 36%. The state requires the Board of Education ask that the LC approve these 3 resolutions (attached) to authorize the Superintendent to file a school construction grant. Have a bldg. committee which Ron suggested the Board of Education assign the responsibility for the project as a bldg. committee. Gino did the HS roof which was twice the size of Hawley. Council will authorize preparations, drawings, and specifications. If we approve this Ron suggests this will go on the next BOE agenda to request it and then LC agenda so they can be doing this during the time frame while we wait for referendum approval. Consensus to move request forward.

Meeting adjourned by Rebekah Harriman-Stites at 7:15 p.m.

Next Meeting: To be determined

Respectfully Submitted by,

Joanne Morris

**NEWTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION
SUMMARY - CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN
2017/18 TO 2021/22**

Approved by
the BOE 8/16/2016
Adjusted by Legislative Council 1/4/17

CIP Item #	Location	Description of Project	underway 2016/17	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	TOTALS
				2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	
2	Hawley Elem.	Roof replacement 1948 and 1997 sections		\$850,000					
6	Hawley Elem.	Replace boiler for the 1921 section of building - steam to hot water			\$1,712,000	\$4,452,000			\$7,014,000
5	Middle Gate Elem	Roof replacement 1964 and 1992 sections			\$1,590,000	\$0			
	<i>underway</i> Middle Gate Elem	<i>Replace original 1964 boiler and lighting upgrade</i>	\$475,000						\$1,590,000
3	Middle School	Phase I - New boilers and re-piping ('52) - Energy project		\$1,800,000					
4	Middle School	Phase II - Ventilation and Renovations			\$0		\$4,805,000		\$6,605,000
	<i>underway</i> High School	<i>Restoration of roof with replacement of lobby roof</i>	\$1,402,500						
1	High School	Phase II Auditorium project		\$850,000					
	High School	<i>Reduction by Legislative Council 1/4/17</i>		-\$100,000					
7	High School	Replace/restore stadium turf field					\$1,000,000		
8	High School	Main boiler replacements - High Efficiency Gas					\$900,000	\$0	
9	High School	Athletic Field house					\$300,000	\$0	
									\$2,950,000
TOTAL COSTS OF ALL PROJECTS			\$1,877,500	\$3,400,000	\$3,302,000	\$4,452,000	\$2,200,000	\$4,805,000	\$18,159,000
TOTAL TO BE BONDED				\$3,400,000	\$3,302,000	\$4,452,000	\$2,200,000	\$4,805,000	\$18,159,000
<i>School Building Grant Eligible</i>			<i>2015-16 Reimbursement rate 36.43%</i>	\$309,655	\$579,237	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$888,892

Shading represents items new to the plan

Eligibility for project inclusion on the CIP is that the cost must exceed 0.25% of the Total Town Budget, \$114,182,379. For 2016-17 the threshold is \$285,456.

The HAW School Roof Replacement is eligible for State assistance under current law provided the State process is followed and the necessary authorizations are secured. This requires the Board of Education pass the following request to the Legislative Council for action.

The following motions need to be approved by the Town Legislative Body in order to complete the review process:


1. Resolved, that the Legislative Council authorize the Superintendent to apply to the Commissioner of Administrative Services for a school construction project roof replacement grant for Hawley Elementary School
2. Resolve that the Board of Education be assigned the responsibility for this project, and
3. Resolved that the Legislative Council authorize the preparation of drawings and specifications for said project.

Attached are the State's requirements.

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You need to send the following documentation to the School Facilities Unit by June 30 in order to have a complete application:

- Certified copy of resolution(s) from the local legislative body (not the Board of Education)
 - 1) Establishing a building committee,
 - 2) Authorizing at least the preparation of schematic drawings and outline specifications, and
 - 3) Authorizing the filing of this grant application.
- Complete educational specifications for the project
- Board of Education's written approval (i.e. minutes) of educational specifications.
- Documentation for Locally Authorized Funding
- Vo-Ag equipment list, if applicable
- Department of Public Health Certification, if applicable (Indoor Air Quality Project)

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