

**MINUTES OF THE
TC/BOE STRATEGIC PLAN SUBCOMMITTEE
MEETING OF
OCTOBER 5, 2010**

CALL TO ORDER:

Greg Stokes, BOE Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM in the Enfield Town Hall Council Chambers.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

BOE Members – Greg Stokes; Chuck Johnson; Judy Apruzzese-Desroches; and Joyce Hall.

TC Members – Scott Kaupin, Mayor; Bill Lee; Cindy Mangini; and Pat Crowley.

ALSO AT THE TABLE:

Matt Coppler, Town Manager and John Gallacher, School Superintendent.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

BOE members, Vin Grady; Stacy Thurston; Donna Szewczak; and Assistant Superintendent of Schools Tony Torre.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Kaupin moved, and Mrs. Mangini seconded to approve the minutes of the September 23, 2010 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously with Mr. Lee abstaining.

PRESENTATION OF THE HIGH SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION OPTIONS REPORT:

Mr. Stokes asked Bill Peluso, DPW Assistant Director, to introduce the consultants from GM2 Associates, Inc. of Glastonbury in attendance. They included:

Jeffrey J. Keefe, Director of Highway Engineering for GM2;
Dean Azzam, President of Aztech Engineering;
David Arai, President of Maier Design Group Architecture & Interiors;
Eric LaChapelle, Architectural Job Captain for Maier.

GM2 Associates, Inc. was hired by the Town to develop a Consolidation Study for combining the Fermi High School and Enfield High School into one high school. Mr. Keefe and Mr. Arai presented the subcommittee with a 131 page document detailing all of the components of their study. This document will be on the TOE and BOE website for citizen review. A hard copy will be filed at the Library on Middle Road.

The consultants stated that they saw a need for a building of approximately 248,022 square feet to accommodate the base line program for a school of approximately 1,981 students. They then examined both of the existing high school buildings and sites to see how they could configure a 248,022 square foot building at each site. Their presentation

included two schemes at each of the current high schools. The first scheme at each site includes an addition to the current building with basic renovations to selected areas for code compliance. The second scheme at each site includes an addition to the current building with a “renovate to new” makeover of all existing space in the building.

The consultants then reviewed a list of design elements (i.e. site description; parking; traffic flow; off site operations; athletic fields and gymnasiums; structural systems; general condition of the building; mechanical; electrical; plumbing; fire protection) they applied to each of the two buildings. This analysis allows for a comparison of specific items between the two schools.

The presentation concluded with a cost estimate for each of the four schemes. For Scheme 1 at EHS the estimate was \$43,160,407.00 and at FHS it was \$39,601,092.00. For Scheme 2 at EHS the estimate was \$80,897,924.00 and at FHS it was \$72,713,705.00.

A question and answer period followed. The meeting concluded with a request for a more detailed cost estimate for all four schemes that would include calculating State payments and bond costs at 20 and 30 years. In addition, it was recommended that a rating scale for each of the design elements be created and that those comparisons be run.

Mr. Stokes thanked the GM2 staff for their presentation and the meeting adjourned at 9:17 PM. The next meeting will be announced.

Respectfully submitted,

John Gallacher, Recorder

Attachment: Refer to Website(s) to read the plan as presented.