

Special Meeting

Cascade School District 3B

Board of Trustees

March 29, 2016 - 6:00 pm

Board Members Present –

High School Board

Rick Cummings - Chair
Chris Boland - Vice Chair
Charlie Hawn
Deanna Hastings
Erin Wombold
Terri Bogden

Elementary Board

Rick Cummings - Chair
Chris Boland - Vice Chair
Charlie Hawn
Deanna Hastings
Erin Wombold

Members Not Present -

Others Present: Justin Barnes - Superintendent, Becky Smith - Administrative Assistant, Dan McGee - McKinstry, Jodie Campbell, Felicia O'Brien, Jay Pribyl, Brian & Cheryl Berg, Loretta Standley, Kristin Skasick, Maureen and David Dachs, Frank Crabtree, Ron Flink.

Rick Cummings - Board Chair, called the Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:03 pm. Mr. Cummings asked for public comment on **non**-agenda items.

Non Agenda Discussion -

New Business

- A. Elementary Building Reserve Levy - Chris Boland moved, seconded by Charlie Hawn to call for an election pertaining to an Elementary Building Reserve Levy on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 for a levy of approximately 21.59 mills each year for five (5) years to authorize the building reserve fund of the Cascade Elementary District No. 3, to raise the sum of One Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand, Twenty-Four Dollars (\$128,024) per year, for a total amount of Six Hundred Forty Thousand, One Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$640,121) for the purpose of repairs, renovations, construction, equipping, enlarging of school building(s), and/or equipment for the elementary district.
Passed unanimously, Bogden abstaining.

- B. Elementary Building Reserve Levy - Charlie Hawn moved, seconded by Chris Boland to call for an election pertaining to a High School Building Reserve Levy on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 for a levy of approximately 11.85 mills each year for five (5) years to authorize the building reserve fund of the Cascade High School District No. B, to raise the sum of Eighty-Five Thousand, Three Hundred, Fifty Dollars (\$85,350) per year, for a total

amount of Four Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand, Seven Hundred Forty-Seven Dollars (\$426,747) for the purpose of repairs, renovations, construction, equipping, enlarging of school building(s), and/or equipment for the high school district.

Passed unanimously.

Dan McGee presented line item pricing and further scope of details on deferred maintenance items. List is a complete 'wish' list of maintenance that would cover entire building; approved list of items proposed is at the Board's discretion.

Public Discussion:

What about the leaking roof issue? Answer: Still looking to see if roof is currently under warranty to fix any leaks. There is only one area that drips after a heavy snowstorm due to a vent.

Board Discussion: Board weighed McKinstry line items to remain or remove.

Football Bleachers:

Current wood maintenance is a minimum of \$8500 to repair. Longevity of aluminum will be far greater with very little maintenance. Possibly replace home side only, and table with grant funding.

Public Discussion: Voiced support of replacing bleachers, suggested removing bleachers and bring in a dirt pile and sod to sit, clarifying ADA access and comfort. Old bleachers will not be salvageable as they were indoor bleachers used outdoors.

Boiler Upgrades:

Board Discussion: Discussion regarding boiler costs and timeline. Items regarding boiler need to be done, without dependency on grant.

Public Discussion: If items are taken off do voters get complete revised list of costs?

Answer: List would remain complete so if possibly funded later the funds stay with the Cascade district, as opposed to being transferred elsewhere. Values of each item do not have to be on levy item.

Public Discussion: Will the quoted cost for boilers bring it up to date? Answer: Yes.

Maintenance will begin in 2017 and cannot start before then with the grant process.

Sewer and boilers are in dire need of fixing so it needs to be done as soon as possible.

Public Discussion: Will sewers get done in summer of 2016? Answer: Yes, depending on what board approves the work could begin in the summer of 2016.

Public Discussion: Boilers are an immediate concern. Dan McGee explained boilers could make it another year, but they are being nursed along. In the past the pipes burst in an elementary room.

Public Discussion: Emphasis needs to be on boilers so voters will approve.

Masonry:

Board Discussion: Discussion regarding masonry repair, in favor of keeping. Sewer repair line item, in favor of keeping.

Public Discussion: How much piping is in need of repair? Answer: 107 feet is what is most needed for repair. Sewer needs to be top priority

Flooring Upgrades:

Board Discussion: Discussion regarding flooring and clarification of estimates. In favor of replacing oldest, high traffic carpeting in corridors but table for now.

Public Discussion: Flooring is an aesthetic issue that can be addressed later. Tile will still be time consuming to clean, running in the halls on tile will be a safety issue.

Playground Upgrades:

Board Discussion: Discussion regarding playground, interest in taking it off the list and deferring later. Playground is a high impact item for students and is a safety issue due to negligence after being warned it needs to be brought to code. Estimate can be adjusted for desired maintenance.

Public Discussion: Can gradings simply be changed and not the equipment? Answer: possibly. Can the upgrades be made with grants? Answer: Depends on the grant and what's initially awarded to strengthen every grant for the future. Public commentary to fund a lesser amount, such as the base of \$126,000, would be feasible.

Gym Floors:

Board Discussion: Gym floors. Could focus on new gym, lesser on old gym.

Maintenance has to be done on new gym to maintain the quality.

Public Discussion: When was the last time old gym was stripped? Answer: Don't know. Old gym has much higher foot traffic as new gym due to PE classes.

Windows:

Board Discussion: Discussion on windows. They are mostly original to building and very inefficient. In favor of upgrading the windows.

Public Discussion: Can they be replaced as needed, rather than all at once? Answer: Replacing all at once will be much less than one at a time.

Public Discussion: Can they be paid for with a grant? Answer: Could possibly be paid for with a Dept of Commerce grant.

Weight Room:

Board Discussion: Space is much too small, overcrowded. Dan McGee presented problems and concerns. Board concern is that by adding the item it will defeat the levy, yet is a safety issue especially when the school offers a weight training class. It could be a negligent issue not to improve it. Bid to improve does not include new equipment. Take it off.

Public Discussion: Could it be open to the public? Answer: No, it can not be open to the public due to liability and current set up.

Public Discussion: It's enough of an addition to defeat levy because of dollar amount. Emphasis should be on boiler and sewer.

Public Discussion: Where will funding come from for weight equipment? Answer: District would have to budget for it.

Board Discussion: Board Proposed Revised List: \$1,019,400. Weight room removed.
Levy vs Grant: Board decided no grant.

Adjournment

8:40 pm Deanna moved, seconded by Erin Wombold **to adjourn. Passed Unanimously**

Rick Cummings, Board Chair

ATTEST: Justin Barnes, Superintendent

Date Signed _____