

NEW MILFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
New Milford Public Schools
50 East Street
New Milford, Connecticut 06776

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE**

DATE: April 4, 2019
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Lillis Administration Building – Board Room

AGENDA

New Milford Public Schools Mission Statement

The mission of the New Milford Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, educators, family, and community, is to prepare each and every student to compete and excel in an ever-changing world, embrace challenges with vigor, respect and appreciate the worth of every human being, and contribute to society by providing effective instruction and dynamic curriculum, offering a wide range of valuable experiences, and inspiring students to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

1. CALL TO ORDER

A. Pledge of Allegiance

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

An individual may address the Board concerning any item on the agenda for the meeting subject to the following provisions:

- A. A three-minute time limit may be allocated to each speaker with a maximum of twenty minutes being set aside per meeting. The Board may, by a majority vote, cancel or adjust these time limits.
- B. If a member of the public comments about the performance of an employee or a Board member, whether positive, negative, or neutral, and whether named or not, the Board shall not respond to such comments unless the topic is an explicit item on the agenda and the employee or the Board member has been provided with the requisite notice and due process required by law. Similarly, in accordance with federal law pertaining to student confidentiality, the Board shall not respond to or otherwise discuss any comments that might be made pertaining to students.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

- A. Rescission of Board action from March 19, 2019 meeting regarding Lillis Oil Tank
- B. Lillis Oil Tank funding
- C. School Security Competitive Grant Reimbursement
- D. Roofs

4. ADJOURN

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TO: Stephen Tracy, Interim Superintendent
FROM: Anthony J. Giovannone, Director of Fiscal Services and Operations
Date: April 2, 2019
RE: School Security Competitive Grant (SSCG) Reimbursement

Since 2013 the State has allocated \$63 million in School Safety and Security funding for the purposes of increasing physical security infrastructure within schools. The School Security Competitive Grant Program was initially established by Connecticut General Statutes Section 10-292r (b) in conjunction with Public Act 13-3, Section 84.

This program was part of a multi-faceted response to the incident at Sandy Hook Elementary in Newtown, CT on December 14, 2012. The bill established a competitive state grant program to improve security infrastructure in schools, install security systems in schools' primary entryways, purchase portable security devices, and train school personnel to use the devices and infrastructure funded under this program.

The following are common projects funded by the School Security Competitive Grant Program:

Door Locks, Electronic	Office Reconfiguration
Window Film	Surveillance Cameras
Access Control Systems (Proximity Cards)	Video Archiving System
Fencing (6' or Higher)	Panic Buttons
Bollards (Traffic Control)	Intercom/Phone system
Lighting	Door Replacement

Our district qualified for a 45% reimbursement on some of the types of expenditures listed above from January 1, 2013 through June 30, 2018.

The application was originally submitted by Jay Hubelbank (previous Director of Fiscal Services and Operations) with the assistance of John Calhoun (previous Director of Facilities) who are no longer employed with the district. At the time there was no over-arching plan that coordinated the tracking of invoices for reimbursement.



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When the district got notification on June 27, 2017, that Governor Dannel P. Malloy signed Public Act 17-68 into law, thereby extending the period of performance for the 2013 & 2014 School Security Competitive Grant Programs to June 30, 2018 myself, Kevin Munrett and our previous Superintendent Joshua D. Smith met jointly to come up with a plan to properly identify qualified expenditures to maximize reimbursement. My office and staff then took on the task to reconcile expenditures on the back end of the grant which took a substantial amount of time. I am pleased that all the work to submit for this grant has finally paid off and the State has now provided us a reimbursement.

The State transmitted the reimbursement in the amount of \$210,477.26 to the Town of New Milford on March 28, 2019 where it is awaiting deposit into the proper account. The funds spent to qualify for this reimbursement came from the Board of Education Operating Funds over several fiscal years. If these funds were not expended in a particular year they would have been part of our fiscal year-end balance and requested for consideration to be placed into the Board of Education's Capital Reserve Account. The reimbursement is tied to those same expenditures, so it is my recommendation that the Board of Education request that the reimbursement funds from the School Security Competitive Grant in the amount of \$210,477.26 be deposited into the Board of Education's Capital Reserve Account.

Sincerely,
Anthony J. Giovannone
Director of Fiscal Services and Operations

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Lillis Underground Storage Tank Project

Final Funding Request

The funding request described below reflects all additional costs related to the replacement of the underground oil storage tank at the Lillis Administration Building beyond the originally approved cost of \$97,713.00. I am requesting approval of the total amount shown below from the Board of Education at a special meeting scheduled for the evening of April 4, 2019.

Stephen Tracy
Interim Superintendent
4-Apr-19

The figures presented here reflect compliance with the prevailing wage requirements of the state of Connecticut.

1	Adjustment to original project cost due to compliance with prevailing wage requirements:	\$	7,416.30
2	Change Order #1 (shipping of 10K gallon tank from HPS to Lillis; and installation of temporary tank due to winter conditions):	\$	3,741.52
3	Change Order #2 (additional work completed due to unanticipated ledge and sewer issues):	\$	93,738.57
4	Additional backfill and compaction after 2/11 (reflecting larger than anticipated hole):	\$	4,800.00
5	Asphalt base process (reflecting larger than anticipated area):	\$	2,964.00
6	Installation of additional piping from tank to building (trenching, piping and filling):	\$	1,000.00
7	Asphalt application (reflecting larger than anticipated area to cover):	\$	12,200.00
8	Removal of contaminated soil (estimated 60 +/-10 tons @ \$157/ton prevailing):	\$	9,420.00
		\$	<u>135,280.39</u>