

# New Milford Board of Education Facilities Sub-Committee Minutes September 8, 2020 New Milford High School Library Media Center

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Present:

Mr. Brian McCauley, Chairperson

Mr. Pete Helmus

Mrs. Eileen P. Monaghan

Mrs. Olga I. Rella

Also Present:

Dr. Paul Smotas, Interim Superintendent

Mr. Kevin Munrett, Facilities Director Mr. Brandon Rush, Technology Director

1.	Call to Order	Call to Order
	The meeting of the New Milford Board of Education Facilities Sub-Committee was called to order at 6:48 p.m. by Mr. McCauley.	
2.	Public Comment	Public Comment
	There was none.	
3.	Items for Information and Discussion	Items for Information and Discussion
A.	NV5 Update	A. NV5 Update
	<ul> <li>Mr. Munrett said the NV5 energy audit continues, with preliminary walkthroughs with subcontractors completed. Solar energy, including carports for the high school and hook ups for electric vehicles, is part of the discussion. They are also considering the two oldest chillers, boilers, RTUs and completing building management systems.</li> <li>Mrs. Monaghan asked if solar energy would include looking at roof panels for the high school. Mr. Munrett said it will and NV5 will work hand in hand with roofing contractors to explore options.</li> </ul>	
В.	Elevators – SNIS & SMS	B. Elevators – SNIS & SMS
	Mr. Munrett said he is happy to report that both elevators have been repaired and inspected and are operational for opening of school.	

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- Mr. Helmus said bravo to the accomplishment.
- Mrs. Rella said the SMS elevator has had issues over the past three years and she asked if it is the same issue. Mr. Munrett said it has varied, but the cylinder is over 20 years old.

## C. NMHS Fire Alarm

- Mr. Munrett said the vendor worked diligently to complete this large project prior to opening of school. There is a completely new panel and devices at the high school now.
- Mr. Helmus offered bravo again.

### D. Municipal Building Committee (MBC) Projects

- Mr. Munrett said the MBC met last week. There is information in the Board packet regarding recommendations for the SNIS tank replacement. Option one is for a smaller tank that will only fuel the emergency generator. Option two includes replacing the existing diesel generator with a natural gas generator and is more expensive. The MBC has taken no action yet. Mr. Munrett will continue to provide updates.
- Mr. Helmus asked how the conclusions were arrived at. Mr. Munrett said the vendor did a lot of analysis and consultation with other towns.
   They also included input from Town and School Facilities personnel and looked at historical use.

# E. School Reopening Update

- Mr. Munrett said today was the first day of school and it was smooth from a Facilities standpoint. They have more work to do going forward to keep up with cleaning and supplies. He said the Facilities crew did a great job in getting the district this far.
- Mrs. Monaghan asked about the sanitation assistants who were hired. Mr. Munrett said they will perform cleaning, following a series of rounds, and have been trained in protocols.

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<i>3.</i>	Mr. Helmus moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m., seconded by Mrs. Monaghan and passed unanimously.	Motion made and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 p.m.
5.	There was none.  Adjourn	Adjourn
4.	Public Comment	Public Comment
	<ul> <li>Mrs. Rella asked about air quality tests and temperature concerns. Mr. Munrett said they are working with the individual building systems and following state guidelines.</li> <li>Mrs. Rella asked if ceiling fans were installed. Mr. Munrett said this is a work in progress.</li> <li>Dr. Smotas said they will provide an update at next week's Board meeting.</li> <li>Mrs. Monaghan asked if it is true that the high school windows are sealed. Mr. Munrett said no, they are operable; but they stay closed since the chiller is running.</li> </ul>	

Respectfully submitted:

Brian McCauley, Chairperson Facilities Sub-Committee