

Budget Subcommittee Meeting

Present: Dr. Lori Duerr, Patrick Murphy, Bill Ryder, Sue Smith, Nick Lowell, and Mary Harris

Date: Thursday, September 20, 2018

Agenda topic: Capital project discussion with the Falmouth FinCom representatives

Meeting opened at 4:00PM

Opened public comment:

Peter Hargraves introduced himself and continued with public comment. He raised sustainability concerns related to student enrollment trends and class sizes. He encouraged the district to look at other Cape district's work around consolidation of schools. He described work done in Sandwich. He encouraged Falmouth to review enrollment trends and come up with a long-term plan to handle declining enrollments. He reiterated his own support for the Falmouth schools.

Public comment closed at 4:05PM

Fin Com representatives described this meeting as part of their annual process to review capital requests coming from across the town's departments. The School Committee had previously reviewed and approved these capital requests at their July 2018 School Committee meeting.

The group reviewed and discussed the following capital requests that have been submitted to the town:

1. \$50,000 for painting Mullen-Hall - the project is limited to the parts of the building most in need of paint. This is different from the Cupola project.
2. \$360,000 Morse Pond - first phase of AHERA ceiling tile removal.
3. \$390,000 East Falmouth - univent and control work
4. \$150,000 Safety/Security - \$60,000 for School Zone sign work at East Falmouth and North Falmouth. (DPW has submitted similar fund requests for Teaticket and Morse Pond) \$90,000 to cover building classroom intercom systems at Lawrence and Teaticket.

The discussion was positive with all involved saying the capital process has been working well the past few years. We were encouraged to send photos that help to showcase the need for the capital projects.

Meeting adjourned at 4:34PM

Submitted by: Patrick Murphy, Director of Finance, Facilities & Operations

Approved: 10/23/18