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# TOWN OF BURLINGTON

## *Meeting Minutes - Ways and Means School Subcommittee*

DEPT./BOARD: Ways and Means School Subcommittee  
DATE: April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
TIME: 6pm  
PLACE: WebEx Conference Call

**Present:**

Roger Riggs, Cody Case, Rob Neufeld, Kelly Pappas, Jayashree Voruganti  
Tom Murphy, Eric Conti, Bob Cunha, and Nichole Coscia

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Review School Warrant Articles

<b>7-14</b> SCHOOL – BHS Turf Field Replacement & Track Resurface	\$725,000	FC
<b>7-15</b> SCHOOL – Francis Wyman Intercom Replacement	\$272,400	FC
<b>7-16</b> SCHOOL – System-wide Sanitary Hygiene Product Dispenser Installation	\$55,000	FC
<b>7-17</b> SCHOOL – Insulation & Weather Stripping	\$187,000	FC
<b>24</b> School Community Custodial Services	\$47,464	FC
<b>25</b> School Accrued Liability Fund	N/A	N/A

### **SCHOOL – BHS Turf Field Replacement & Track Resurface**

Varsity field and the track are the number one used resource in town. Both the track and turf field are at the expected lifetimes. Last year, this project was proposed to be done but it was agreed to delay a year given the financial situation.

The testing of the Turf surface showed deterioration of safety margins. The field was tested in March of 2020.

The price since last year has increased from \$683k to the current \$723k, an extra \$40k.

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0

### **SCHOOL – Francis Wyman Intercom Replacement**

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0





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#### **SCHOOL – System-wide Sanitary Hygiene Product Dispenser Installation**

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0

#### **SCHOOL – Insulation & Weather Stripping**

The Green Communities program makes grants of up to \$200k available to a community each year.

The Town and Schools are taking turns every other year for town and school projects.

This year the town is applying for up to \$200k to update Insulation and Weather Stripping in 4 school buildings.

The schools are proposing this warrant article to address BHS and Marshall Simonds buildings.

Addressing weatherization is a strategic move to address the prerequisites to future grants to address bigger issues around heating and cooling.

Marshall Simonds was renovated in about 10 years ago and the boilers 15 years ago. Insulation and weather stripping deteriorate over time and need to be replaced.

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0

#### **School Community Custodial Services**

Warrant article funds custodial services to allow community groups to use school facilities when a custodian is not normally staffed.

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0

#### **School Accrued Liability Fund**

Management and staff accumulate sick time and vacation time that may need to be paid out when they leave or retire. Previously, no specific funds have been set aside; so at year end there may be a scramble to find money to meet the obligation. In past years, the amounts needed have ranged from \$8k to \$180k. The auditors, Powers and Sullivan, recommended establishing an account to at least partially fund it.

The statute, Title VII, Chapter 40, Section 13D includes provisions that make it possible.

Funding will be incorporated into the next operating budget.

The language of the warrant article is to be amended to include a phrase 'to adopt the provisions of'.

Subcommittee: Vote 5-0-0





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### **Circuit Breaker**

Circuit breaker funds are received from the state quarterly. The operating budget incorporates an estimate of the expected reimbursements and the town funds the difference. Amounts in excess of the budget estimate can be carried over for up to two years.

