

SPECIAL MEETING – MANSFIELD TOWN COUNCIL  
December 13, 2010

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Mayor Elizabeth Paterson called the special meeting of the Mansfield Town Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Audrey P. Beck Building.

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Keane, Lindsey, Moran, Paterson, Paulhus, Ryan, Schaefer  
Excused: Haddad, Kochenburger

II. WORK SESSION

School Building Project

Mayor Paterson welcomed the Mansfield Board of Education and staff to the work session.

Director of Finance Cherie Trahan reviewed the spread sheet which is a cumulative report including capital improvements, debt service and salary and maintenance savings for the next 20 years. Ms. Trahan explained the methodology used to create the report. (Report attached)

Chair of the Board of Education Mark LaPlaca provided a response to questions asked of the Board at the last work session. (Response attached) Mr. LaPlaca asked for guidance from the Council regarding an acceptable final cost.

Mr. Ryan moved and Ms. Moran seconded to direct the School Building Committee to reconvene to provide recommendations to bring Option E's cost substantially closer to that of Option D; to appoint Town Council Finance Chair Bill Ryan and a member of the Board of Education to the Committee; and to appropriate an additional \$7,500 for the preparation of a schematic floor plan for a second school (Option E) to be built near the Goodwin school site.  
Motion passed unanimously.

III. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Jay Rueckl, South Eagleville Road, suggested the Council move quickly to ensure the engineering test will be completed in a timely manner and asked why the spreadsheet stopped accounting for the cost at 20 years since after that cost would decrease dramatically.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Paulhus moved and Ms. Keane seconded to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.

Elizabeth Paterson, Mayor

Mary Stanton, Town Clerk

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