

Town of Colchester  
WJJMS Building Committee  
March 12, 2015  
WJJMS – Media Center

Minutes

**Members Present:** Joseph DeLucia, Joe Ruiz, Thomas Tyler, Irene Malsbenden, Anthony Tarnowski, Steve Wells

**Members Absent:** Paul Picard

**Others Present:** Director of Facilities Ken Jackson; Tecton Architects Barbara Joslin; Superintendent Jeff Mathieu; Principal Chris Bennett; Board of Finance Members: Art Shilosky and Rob Tarlov; Board of Education Members: Ron Goldstein, Don Kennedy, Brad Bernier; First Selectman Stan Soby; O&G Industries Ken Biega; Citizen's: Petina Killiany

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tyler called the meeting to order at 7:06.

2. **Citizen's Comments:** None

a. **Town Email:** None

\*\*J. DeLucia motioned to switch the order of agenda items 6 & 7, seconded by S. Wells. Vote was unanimous. **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. **Approval of Minutes – February 26, 2015:** I. Malsbenden motioned to approve the minutes of the February 26, 2015 meeting correcting that J. DeLucia was the one that came in late and not Joe Ruiz, seconded by J. Ruiz. Members voted in favor with S. Wells abstaining. **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. **Update on Bureau of School Facilities communication:** No new information.

5. **Conference Call with Barry Bernabe, Phonix Advisors to discuss the project's impact to Town's debt service:** Financial Advisor Barry Bernabe reviewed the town's debt management plan in preparation of possible bonding for school building project. Mr. Bernabe feels the town's above average bond rating, interest rates nearing a 75 year low, and the town's debt services declining provides a favorable situation for bonding of the project. He demonstrated how, with the declining debt service, that the school project could be managed in the budget without an increase in debt payments above the current level

6. **Development of project brochure:** Members critiqued the brochure to be distributed at upcoming informational events.

7. **Presentation on common project delivery methods-Petina Killiany:** Petina Killiany discussed possible project delivery options as well as the pros and cons for each method.

8. **Discussion on March 18 (6:00pm) and March 28 (10:00am) presentation & tours:** Principal Bennett will be available to assist with the tours.

9. **Discussion on communication/social media:** Twitter and Facebook will continue to be used.

10. **Citizen's Comments:** None

11. **Adjournment:** A. Tarnowski motioned to adjourn, seconded by J. Ruiz. Vote was unanimous. **MOTION CARRIED.** Chairman Tyler adjourned the meeting at 8:45.

Submitted by,

*Dawn LePage*  
Dawn LePage, Clerk

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