

Reading Public Schools
Reading, Massachusetts

Regular Meeting of the School Committee
Executive Session

Date: October 22, 2012

Place: Superintendent's Office

School Committee Members Present

Lisa Gibbs
Karen Janowski
Hal Croft
Chris Caruso
Rob Spadafora
Chuck Robinson

Staff Members Present

John Doherty, Superintendent
Mary DeLai, Assistant Superintendent
Gary Brackett, Town Counsel

I. Executive Session 6:34 p.m.

A. Call to Order

Chairperson Janowski called the Executive Session to order.

Litigation Update

Mr. Brackett updated the School Committee on the status of the Building Project lawsuit. He shared that the TLT vs. Harleysville portion of the lawsuit has been settled and should be finalized in approximately 35 days. With this pending agreement, Harleysville has assigned its rights against Reading to TLT.

Town Counsel has been in contact with the attorney for TLT to discuss a monetary settlement. The parties continue to discuss the settlement. Mr. Brackett has no recommendations for a direction or settlement at this time.

The main case is scheduled for trial in October 2013.

Real Property

Mr. Brackett reviewed the process for purchasing of property. This action would fall under a Unique Property Acquisitions and the School Department would not have to go out for bid.

He went on to discuss the timeline. Discussion on the cost would take place and then the property would be appraised by the Town Assessor or other appraiser. The School Department would have to get Town meeting approval based on an agreed upon price with contingencies that Town Meeting would have to approve.

The Committee asked clarifying questions.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Croft moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso, to approve the Executive Session minutes dated September 24, 2012. The roll call vote was 6-0. Mr. Croft, Mr. Caruso Mrs. Gibbs, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Spadafora and Mrs. Janowski.

Mr. Croft moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso, to approve the Executive Session minutes dated October 10, 2012. The roll call vote was 6-0. Mr. Croft, Mr. Caruso Mrs. Gibbs, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Spadafora and Mrs. Janowski.

Adjourn

Mr. Croft moved, seconded by Mr. Caruso, to adjourn. The roll call vote was 6-0. Mr. Croft, Mr. Caruso Mrs. Gibbs, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Spadafora and Mrs. Janowski.

Meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

Approved 11.5.12
Released 01.05.17