

PEEL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Minutes of a meeting of the Physical Planning and Building Committee of the Peel District School Board, held in the Brampton Room, the H. J. A. Brown Education Centre, 5650 Hurontario Street, Mississauga, Ontario on Wednesday, September 3, 2014 at 18:20 hours.

Members present:

David Green, Chair
Meredith Johnson
Steve Kavanagh
Sue Lawton
Janet McDougald
Rick Williams

Trustees also present:

Stan Cameron
Jagdeep Mann
Suzanne Nurse

Member absent: (apologies received)

Jeff White

Administration:

Randy Wright, Controller, Planning and Accommodation Support Services
(Executive Member)
Tania Alatishe-Charles, Controller, Finance Support Services
Jaspal Gill, Associate Director, Operational Support Services
David Neale, Controller, Corporate Support Services
Tony Pontes, Director of Education
Joe Weinberg, Controller, Facilities and Environmental Support Services

Nicole Fernandes, Board Reporter

1. Approval of Agenda

Item 9.4, Report on Tenders: Mount Pleasant #2 Public School, was added to the agenda.

PB-67, moved by Stan Cameron, that the agenda, as amended, be approved.

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2/3rds' majority

2. Authorization of Trustee White's Absence

Under Board By-law E-14, a trustee must be authorized by resolution to be absent from three consecutive meetings of the Committee. As such, Trustee White's absence from this meeting, and the May and June Physical Planning and Building Committee meetings, is to be authorized by the Committee.

2. Authorization of Trustee White's Absence (Continued)

PB-68, moved by Janet McDougald, that Trustee Jeff White be authorized to be absent from three consecutive meetings of the Physical Planning and Building Committee.

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3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

4. Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, June 3, 2014

PB-69, moved by Sue Lawton, that the Minutes of the Physical Planning and Building Committee Meeting, held June 3, 2014, be approved.

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5. Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) Minutes, May 2, 2014

PB-70, moved by Suzanne Nurse, that the minutes of the Student Transportation of Peel Region (STOPR) meeting, held May 2, 2014, be received.

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6. Ministry of Education Approval to Proceed: Huttonville Public School, Streetsville Secondary School and The Woodlands

Briefly reviewing the report, Controller of Planning and Accommodation Support Services, Randy Wright, indicated that the Board has received Ministry of Education approval to proceed with major building improvements at Huttonville Public School, Streetsville Secondary School and The Woodlands, which increase the life expectancy at these school facilities. Controller Wright responded to a trustee's question of clarification regarding the septic system at Huttonville Public School, and commented on the expectation of the school being connected to the municipal sewer system over time.

Board Chair McDougald stated that she is pleased by the Ministry's approval to proceed with the renovations. Noting that the funding which will now be used for the renovations could have been clawed back by the Ministry, she thanked the Ministry and commented that these renovations will certainly help to rejuvenate the schools and communities.

PB-71, moved by Janet McDougald, that the report re Ministry of Education Approval to Proceed: Huttonville Public School, Streetsville Secondary School and The Woodlands, be received.

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7. Major New Projects 2014 – 2015

Reviewing the report, Controller Wright indicated that major projects for 2014-2015 include six new schools, and four major renovations / additions. He reported that the 2013-2014 construction experience, with two new schools being delivered just days before the start of the new school year and one new school being ready for occupancy one day after school start, has demonstrated that projects should commence earlier. He confirmed that staff will be working on this.

PB-72, moved by Janet McDougald, that the report re Major New Projects 2014 – 2015, be received.

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8. Application Status Update

Randy Wright noted that the development applications outlined in the report are for the months of May, June and July 2014. He stated that the anticipated student yield from these developments is not significant.

PB-73, moved by Meredith Johnson, that the report re Application Status Update, be received.

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9. Report on Tenders: Mount Pleasant #2 Public School

Information regarding the tender for the construction of Mount Pleasant #2 Public School was noted.

PB-74, moved by Suzanne Nurse, that Physical Planning and Building Committee recommends to the Board:

That, the tender, in the amount of \$12,420,960, including HST, for the construction of Mount Pleasant #2 Public School, be awarded to Percon Construction Inc.
(APPENDIX I)

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10. Tender Activity Report / Vandalism Reports / Property Loss Report

Trustees perused the reports. In response to a trustee's question on the Vandalism Reports, Controller of Corporate Support Services, David Neale, indicated that only secondary schools are equipped with security cameras. The trustee asked whether elementary schools with repeated vandalism activity could be considered for security cameras. Controller Neale indicated that, when repeated vandalism is noticed, patrols are increased at the schools.

10. Tender Activity Report / Vandalism Reports / Property Loss Report (Continued)

In response to another question regarding 23 broken windows, Controller Neale noted that there is no significant impact on the normal functioning of the school as the Board's contractors work diligently and quickly to make the required repairs. Chair Green expressed concern about the number of Break and Enter incidents at Sir John A. Macdonald Public School. He acknowledged that the losses were small, but requested that patrols be increased or alternatives be considered to halt such incidents.

A trustee referred to the Property Loss report, and asked whether the damaged portable at Brampton Centennial Secondary School would be repaired. Controller of Facilities and Environmental Support Services, Joe Weinberg, responded that repairs to the portable would cost approximately \$51,000, so staff chose the option of demolishing the portable at a cost of approximately \$4,000.

PB-75, moved by Rick Williams:

1. That, the Tender Activity Report for May 24, 2014 to August 20, 2014, be received;
2. That, the Vandalism Reports for April, May and June 2014, be received;
3. That, the Property Loss Report, be received.

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11. Bill 69 – Prompt Payment Act, 2013

Controller Randy Wright provided brief background information regarding Bill 69 – Prompt Payment Act, 2013, and noted that there is some indication that Bill 69 will be precluded from becoming law in Ontario. He stated that there is a focus on considering a Lien Act to ensure sub-contractors are paid promptly.

PB-76, moved by Sue Lawton, that the report re Bill 69 – Prompt Payment Act, 2013, be received.

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12. Question Period

Trustee Cameron expressed thanks to staff for work on the newly constructed Alton Public School. He commented that the facility is excellent and aligns with the curb appeal. He spoke of the new Alton Public School site, and of expectations that the municipal sewer system will be extended to the site by the anticipated occupancy date.

Chair Green reported that knows a contractor who has generously offered to donate time and materials to upgrade outdoor basketball facilities in Peel schools. Chair Green asked about the process and whether such a donation can be accepted. Associate Director of Operational Support Services, Jaspal Gill, confirmed that staff can contact the contractor and obtain details about his plans. Board Chair McDougald indicated that Policy # 5, Partnerships / Fundraising, outlines the process.

13. Public Question Period

There were no public questions.

14. Adoption of the In Committee Report

PB-77, moved by Steve Kavanagh, that the report of the In Committee Session re: Tender Activity Report – May 24, 2014 to August 20, 2014; Britannia Farm Update; Britannia School Farm – Chronological History; Alloa Public School Site Plan Approval Requirement: Region of Peel Conveyance; Report on Tenders: Mount Pleasant #2 Public School, and Question Period, be received, and that the recommendations contained therein, be approved.

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15. Adjournment

PB-78, moved by Stan Cameron, that the meeting adjourn (18:40 hours).

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..... Chair Secretary