

ISLE LA MOTTE
School Board Meeting
Wednesday, October 19, 2016
at Isle La Motte School

Attendance: Louise Koss, School Board chair (LK), Jane Zera, School Board member (JZ), Jen Rafferty, School Board member, Thomas Tregan, Principal, Pat Treckman (board secretary), Beth Hemingway (Director of Student Services) (BH), Joyce Tuck (JT), Chet Bromley (CB), Paul Zera (PZ)

LK called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Adjustments to agenda, LK called for brief executive session at the end of the regular meeting.

Approval of minutes of September 21, 2016 meeting. JZ moved to approve. LK seconded. Approved.

Invitation to the public to add anything to the agenda. Added to board discussion at JT's request was the distribution of the town library Halloween celebration through the school and county. BH agreed to disburse flyers to all island schools at the inservice on October 21.

Superintendent's Report:

The superintendent was away at a superintendent's conference and was represented at the meeting by BH. BH indicated that the superintendent's report had been submitted previously to the board members. BH asked if there were any questions about the report. No questions indicated.

Principal's Report:

TT noted that he attended the Friendship Dinner sponsored by the Masons. TT also indicated that the school's open house was well attended. Also noted was a visit to the Shrine to look at the stove and determine the suitability of it for the school.

TT also noted that the playground work was completed and that volunteers who came and helped were greatly appreciated.

Principal's Report (continued)

Also noted was a plan to get a locksmith to the school so that a master key could be available to necessary personnel. Inservice is October 20 and 21. On November 15, the Abbey Group will be sponsoring a Thanksgiving luncheon at the school.

End principal's report.

Board Discussion and Action Items:

Act 46:

Update given by JZ. A vote by voters will take place on the November ballot about forming the Champlain Islands Unified School District. It would be ILM, North Hero, Grand Isle and possibly South Hero. There are significant financial incentives if all towns vote yes on the union. If formed, it would be status quo initially and each town board would still be in place. Then the new board forms with ILM having 1 board member representing ILM.

CB raised questions about the vote and details of the plan. LK indicated that the new board would make determinations about building configurations and other details down the road and that the original Act 46 committee didn't have those items in their mandate.

Stove:

Discussion ensued about arrangements to get a stove into the kitchen. LK directed TT to spearhead the details of arrangements with CB, Art Larvey and Bourne Energy. It was noted that a licensed plumber would be needed for the stove hook up.

TT asked for direction from the board on logistics. JZ made a motion to direct TT to call the company Got Junk (and other companies) to remove the old playground structure and the old stove when appropriate. Seconded by JR. Motion approved.

Appreciation was expressed to CB for all his work on the stove matter.

Property Maintenance Procedures:

LK spoke about procedures regarding authorization and payment of property maintenance items. They must come to the School Board before being done. TT and LK discussed this with some public input.

TT was asked by the board to take charge of putting out plowing and sanding of school property out to bid.

Budget to Actuals:

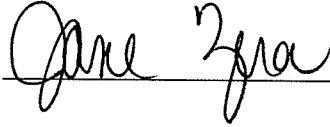
Discussion was held regarding budget and bills. Motion made by JZ to pay bills in the amount of \$41,779.40. JR seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Board concluded regular meeting at 7:35 p.m. and went into executive session until 7:40 p.m.

LK made motion to adjourn. JZ seconded. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Jane Zera



Louise Koss

Jen Rafferty

