

BILLINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Minutes of Special Meeting
September 6, 2019
OFFICIAL MINUTES

A special meeting of the Billings County School Board was called to order at 9:07 a.m. MT, Friday, September 6, 2019, at DeMores School in Medora, North Dakota. Present via telephone were Eric Bock, Kwirt Johnson, and Julie Reis. Present on site were Board President Joey Kessel, District Principal Shae Peplinski, Business Manager Tammy Simnioniw, Maintenance Supervisor Pete Hegge, Jessie Berger, and David Shepherd, contractor with Shep's Construction.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss changes to the DeMores Landscaping project.

The conceptual drawing presented by KLJ to board and staff of the north main breezeway entrance was presented differently than how the blueprint was drawn up. KLJ did not call attention to this change. To try to get the finished walkway closer to the conceptual drawing, installation of a colored concrete border around the curb and gutter would be more appealing. The cost to do this is \$2,505.00. Simnioniw requested from KLJ that they cover this cost. The board tabled a decision on this until they hear from KLJ.

Peplinski reported that the picnic shelters were rotting at the foundation. Shep's Construction offered to remove the shelters and pavers under them at no cost. The areas where the shelters had been will be leveled and seeded to grass.

Shep's Construction erred in putting a ramp along the street on north side. The board determined that large deliveries were made to the garage and small deliveries could use the driveway on west side of building. In exchange for this change to blueprint, Shepherd agreed to put reinforced concrete in a small grassy area between the handicap parking zone and the parking pad on the northwest end of the building. This will extend parking for school vehicles. The board agreed to this.

A large tree on the south side of the school now has tree root base exposed due to regrading. This tree is being trimmed often as it overhangs the school roof and it also is treated annually for dutch elm disease. Peplinski requested that this tree be removed and that area filled with concrete. A new tree was planned for an area within the confines of the sidewalk further to the west of the large tree. It was requested that this be relocated to an area by the existing v-shaped walls and cement be poured where it had originally been planned. The cost for these changes total \$2,393. Johnson moved, Reis seconded, to move forward with this proposed change. Roll call vote with all in favor.

With the removal of the picnic shelters, the fence on the west side can be moved further to the west allowing room to enlarge the basketball court. The new basketball court is significantly smaller than the previous one. The cost to extend the basketball court, install extra colored area for key, and extend colored border is \$7,300. Reis moved, Bock seconded, to move forward with this proposed change. Roll call vote with all in favor.

To extend the chain link fence, with a 6' height, the cost will be \$2,400. The old fence on the south side was not in the design to change at this time, but is in need of repair. To replace the south side with 6' high chain link fence would cost \$11,000. Bock moved, Johnson seconded, to approve extending the west side and replacing the south side with 6' chain link fence. Roll call vote with all in favor.

Reis moved, Bock seconded, to adjourn. All in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Joey Kessel, President

Tammy Simnioniw, Business Manager