BUILDINGS/GROUNDS & TRANSPORTATION REPORT

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To: Board of Education

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BUILDINGS/GROUNDS

Facilities Committee

The committee did not meet this month, next meeting will be January 7, 2021 at 5:30 PM in the High School Library.

HLS Inspections

The ROE and the Fire Marshal were here on the 14th of this month to inspect our buildings. Everything went well, with minimal violations. This shows what a great job our Custodial and Maintenance staff do every day. The main violations were doors not closing properly and a few emergency lights out. In the reports you will notice some repeat violations from last year. This year's walkthroughs were not normal, there were a lot of rooms where they just looked in the door and asked questions. The doors at Washington and Lincoln are an ongoing problem, we work on these several times a year. We will get to work on these issues over Christmas break. I am not going to go over every violation but if there are questions on any of them, I will be happy to discuss them further. I have attached both the ROE and Fire Marshal reports.

Multi- Purpose Gym floor High School

The Architect that did our 10 year Life Safety Survey cited the alternate gym floor. They stated the flooring has detached creating a trip hazard. They went on to say that the existing floor has failed throughout the space and created a problem with egress as well as everyday activity. This has been listed as urgent. This means that it should be fixed within one year. I have been looking at different surfaces but have not requested any pricing as of yet. I will discuss this in more detail at our Facilities meeting on the 7th.

Washington School Parking Lot

Mr. Bauer, Mark Beyers and myself met with Mayor Kroski, Alderman Steve Scott and city Engineer Greg Holthaus. We had a productive meeting and I think we have come to an agreement on how to resolve the water runoff at Washington school. It looks like the time frame to do this work will the day after Memorial Day. I don't have a firm number at this time but I will by the next meeting. I will also discuss this at the Facilities meeting January 7th.

High School Roof

I know that everyone is aware of the leak that has been a problem for year at the high school near the trophy case outside the office door. BLDD sent a company out to do a roof survey, and found that valley from the top of the roof to the edge of the building is rusting out causing significant damage to the underneath structure. They are working up a plan to remedy this problem. As soon as I hear back from them, I will report it to the Board.

High School HVAC

Bodine Electric will start pulling wires over Christmas break. This will allow them to get the majority of the work out of the way while there is no one in the building. Once this is done all they will have to do is add controllers to the walls and ceilings, which will cause minimal disturbance while school is in session. I anticipate this project being done mid to late January.

High School Sound System

The sound system is finally going to be installed Tuesday the 22nd. Then we will work on moving the old one to the Jr. High.

Transportation

Bus Lease/Van Purchase

It is again time to start looking at our buses and vans. I have mentioned for a couple of years now that we need to start replacing two of our vans. I have looked at our fleet and I currently have two vans with over 200,000 miles. Our buses are all in good shape, with the exception of a couple of them. I would like to replace one van and one bus in 2021 and the same in 2022 to keep our vehicles operating safely. I will start working on getting pricing for a five year bus purchase and work with our local dealer on a state bid for a new van. Once I have these figures I will address it at a future meeting in January or February.