

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. The next meeting is TBD.

New Bus Garage

Holthaus will start putting the gas heaters in this week. I am hoping that this will bring the electric bill down considerably. Our last electric bill was \$5,000. This is with 4 units running at 50 degrees. The bill for our current building we are in was \$550.00 this month. We are going to have to put a wall up dividing the section we are using and the empty side. I believe that this will be a big benefit to us.

Lake Land Drawings

I have attached a couple drawings to renovate the Lake Land building for more office space. I have an estimate for this work from Doug Miller for the amount of \$28,820.00. This does include the wall to separate NPT from the Unit employees.

HS Gym Floor

We have been having a few issues with the gym floor at the high school. There are many areas that the wood is breaking off. When they were sanding it over the summer, they told me that this would be the last time it could be done. They showed me the nails that were showing and how thin the wood was. I will keep an eye on this and we will have to determine if we can make it through another season without replacing the floor.

FY27 Bus Lease

I am needing to replace bus 84 and 82. Bus 82 is a 2011 with 184,179 miles with a bad transmission. Bus 84 is a 2012 with 114,421 miles and is in very rough shape. I have quotes from Midwest Transit and Midwest bus sales. Midwest Transit's quote is \$35,936.00 per bus on a five year lease purchase. Midwest Bus Sales is \$34,411.64 per bus on a five year lease purchase which would be \$68,823.29 per year. I asked People's Bank if they would be willing to finance them and they agreed. People's can give us a rate of 4.8% which would make our payments \$67,920.52. This would save us \$902.77 per year for a total of \$3,611.01 over the course of the loan. The buses are \$154,456.00 each. We would borrow \$308,912.00 from