

**PUBLIC HEARING MINUTES  
MONT VERNON SCHOOL BOARD  
Thursday, June 27, 2008  
Mont Vernon Village School Library**

The Public Hearing was called to order by Bruce Schmidt at 6:02. **I. CALL TO ORDER**

Present:

**ATTENDANCE**

Mont Vernon School Board – Bruce Schmidt, and John Schwope and Leo White

Administrative Team- Jim Miner (Director of Building and Grounds

Public – Eileen Naber

Minute Taker – Bruce Schmidt

Jim Miner gave an overview of the 2008 MVVS Parking Lot Paving Project. **II. PUBLIC HEARING**

The original plan developed in February 2008 was to provide an asphalt base at a cost of \$31,000 this year, with a topcoat required in 3-5 years at a cost of approximately \$16,000. At the March 2008 district meeting, the town approved Warrant Article 3 to appropriate \$31,000 from the 2008 undesignated fund balance.

However, the sharp increase in the cost of petroleum has forced a revision to the plan. The cost of asphalt has risen over 25% since February. Jim has scaled back the scope of the paving, reducing the square footage, but the cost of the base has risen to over \$36,000. We cannot predict the cost of the topcoat in 3-5 years, but it will clearly be more than the \$16,000 estimated in February.

The new proposal calls for pulverizing and repaving 33,570 square feet of parking lot with a 2” binder layer, and immediately applying a 1” topcoat. The total cost is \$51,777. This should provide a 15 to 20 year life.

Bruce Schmidt explained with the \$31,000 approved in March, there was a need to fund the additional \$20,777 in some other manner. The board would like to use the Maintenance Expendable Trust to fund the deficit. The balance of this fund as of 5/31/08 was \$22,552.07. If this proposal is approved, the balance of the fund will be

\$1,775.07.

Eileen Naber asked that since the \$31,000 approved under Warrant Article 3 was dependent upon there being a 2008 undesignated fund balance of at least that amount, is the board sure that the funds will be available? Bruce Schmidt explained that the most recent estimate we had from the SAU was that the undesignated fund balance would be at least \$100,000.

Leo White asked if Jim Miner had coordinated with the town road agent for possible cost savings. Jim explained that this bid was in conjunction with 97,230 square feet of paving in the Amherst School District. This number greatly exceeds the amount of paving being done by the town this year. Jim also confirmed with the bid winner, Brox Industries, no further savings could be achieved by combining with other projects.

A motion was made by Leo White to adjourn the public hearing. John Schwope seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor of the motion and the hearing adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Bruce Schmidt called the board meeting to order at 6:14 p.m.

#### **IV. REGULAR MEETING**

**A motion was made by John Schwope and seconded by Leo White, to expend \$20,777 from the Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund to pay a portion of the 2008 Mont Vernon Village School Parking Lot Paving Project. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.**

**A motion was made by Leo White and seconded by John Schwope, to expend \$31,000 from the 2008 undesignated fund balance, as appropriated by the voters under Warrant Article 3 of the 2008 District Meeting, to pay for the balance of the 2008 Mont Vernon Village School Parking Lot Paving Project. All members voted in favor, and the motion passed.**

**A motion was made by Leo White and seconded by John Schwope, to adjourn the meeting. All members voted in favor of the motion and the meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.**

#### **V. ADJOURN**