

MINUTES
Bungay Elementary School Building Committee
Special Meeting
(Community Workshop and Planning Session #1)
October 16, 2024 at 6:30 p.m.
Bungay Elementary School
35 Bungay Road
Seymour, CT 06483

Members Present: Fred Stanek, Tim Connors, Rebecca Bennett, Beth Nesteriak, Trisha Danka, Ed Strumello and Andy North

Members Absent: Peter Kubik and Dr. Tom Nobili

Item 1: Call the meeting to order

Co-Chairperson Fred Stanek called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Susan Compton let the Committee and the Public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Item 3: Presentations by the Bungay Elementary School Building Committee and Antinozzi Associates regarding the development of a feasibility study and facility assessment review of the current conditions of the infrastructure of Bungay Elementary School and the development of conceptual level design plans and cost estimates for the renovation of the school as new, or extension and alteration of the school and possible new construction.

Item 4: Discussion with the Public regarding the foregoing

Item 5: Committee members comments, including the Chairpersons' report.

Items 3, 4 and 5 were discussed simultaneously.

Co-Chairperson Fred Stanek explained that the Committee was holding the second of two Committee Workshop and Planning Sessions to discuss the planning process it is undertaking to renovate and possibly expand Bungay Elementary School.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Susan Compton briefly discussed the work of the Committee and the need to approve funding for the Bungay Elementary School project at an upcoming referendum/adjourned Town Meeting.

Antinozzi Associates was hired to develop design plan and costs estimates for consideration by the Community to fund the project at a referendum which is anticipated to be held in March of 2025. Michael LoSasso, Lisa Yates, Michael Ayles and Fran DiFiori of Antinozzi Associates provided detailed information regarding Antinozzi Associates and their respective responsibilities regarding the Bungay Elementary School project, the background to the formation of the Committee, the history of Bungay Elementary School, the process moving forward to secure referendum funding approval, and the needs of Bungay Elementary School. Antinozzi Associates was hired to develop design plan and costs estimates for consideration by the Community to fund the project at referendum which is anticipated to be held in March of 2025.

The Committee and Antinozzi Associates sought input from the Community during the workshop through two Community exercises. The first involved "where would you spend 'Bungay Bucks'?" and the second involved members of the Antinozzi Team leading small subgroups of members of the Community to discuss the following questions:

1. What are the positive aspects of the current Bungay Elementary School facility?;
2. What are the challenges posed at the current Bungay Elementary School facility?; and
3. What top 1-2 items would you like to see addressed in a Bungay Elementary School project?

First Selectwoman Annmarie Drugonis addressed the meeting by discussing the need to approve funding for the Bungay Elementary School project at an upcoming referendum/adjourned Town Meeting.

Rebecca Bennett briefly discussed the concept of Planetree Patient Care and how the same may be incorporated in the building project by concentrating on student wellbeing.

Item 6. Adjournment.

Co-Chairperson Fred Stanek adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,



Frederick D. Stanek,
Co-Chairperson