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**BROOKLINE SCHOOL BOARD**  
**JUNE 17, 2020**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

A Public Hearing was conducted by the Brookline School Board on Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 6:42 p.m. at the Hollis Brookline Middle School Library.

Kenneth Haag, Chairman, presided:

Board Members Participating Electronically: Erin Sarris, Vice Chairman  
Karen Jew, Secretary  
Rebecca Howie  
Alison Marsano

Members of the Board Absent:

Also Participating Electronically: Andrew Corey, Superintendent  
Gina Bergskaug, Assistant Superintendent  
Bob Thompson, Assistant Superintendent of Student Services  
Kelly Seeley, Business Administrator  
Daniel Molinari, Principal, Richard Maghakian Memorial School

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25 Due to the COVID-19/Coronavirus crisis, and in accordance with Governor Sununu's [Emergency Order #12](#)  
26 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this Board is authorized to meet electronically.

28 Board members and members of the Administration were participating via Zoom. Each member of the Board  
29 was asked to state, for the record, where they were, why their attendance in person was not reasonably practical,  
30 who, if anyone, was with them, and whether or not they were able to hear the proceedings.

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32 **Member Haag**  
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34 Stated he was participating electronically from home, his attendance in person was not reasonably practical due  
35 to COVID-19, he was alone in the room he was in, and he could hear the proceedings.

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37 **Vice Chairman Sarris**  
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42 **Member Jew**  
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47 **Member Marsano**  
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51 **Member Howie**  
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2 due to COVID-19, she was alone in the room she was in, and she could hear the proceedings.

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4 Chairman Haag acknowledged all members participating electronically could be heard, and reminded the Board  
5 all votes would be taken by Roll Call.  
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7 **PUBLIC HEARING**

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9 **SCHOOL BUILDING MAINTENANCE**  
10 **EXPENDABLE TRUST FUND**  
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12 In accordance with [RSA 198:20-c](#), Kelly Seeley, Business Administrator, provided an explanation of proposed  
13 expenditure(s) from the Brookline School Building Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund.  
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15 **FY21 Requested Items/Estimated Cost**

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17	<b>CSDA</b>	Playground Renovations	\$25,000
18		Security Cameras	<u>23,000</u>
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21	<b>RMMS</b>	Security Cameras	\$25,000
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23		<b>Total</b>	<b>\$73,000</b>

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25	Current Balance:	\$57,422	
26	To be added in FY21:	75,000	
27	FY21 Expenditures:	<u>73,000</u>	
28	Resulting Balance	\$59,422	
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30 Noted was that the items identified were discussed during the budget process, and identified as expenses to be  
31 considered for funding through the expendable trust.  
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33 The Administration looked into the security cameras as part of the Public School Infrastructure Fund (PFIS)  
34 Grant. The items were was on the waiting list for the grant funding, but did not go through.  
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36 The playground surface (under swing) at CSDA is non-compliant at this time. Were the issue not addressed, the  
37 District's insurance carrier, Primex, would not cover any claims made. The renovations will entail removal and  
38 replacement of the existing Pea Stone with an appropriate thickness of approved woodchips. The swings will  
39 be repaired and upgraded.  
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41 Chairman Haag reiterated the intent to utilize the trust for these purposes has been discussed during several  
42 meetings and as part of the budget process. He commented on the level of transparency with which the Board  
43 and Administration handle such matters.  
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45 *Chairman Haag opened the floor for public testimony.*

1 TESTIMONY IN FAVOR - None

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3 TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION - None

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5 TESTIMONY IN FAVOR - None

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7 TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION - None

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9 **MOTION BY MEMBER MARSANO TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING**  
10 **MOTION SECONDED BY MEMBER SARRIS**

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12 *A Viva Voce Roll Call was conducted, which resulted as follows:*

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14 Yea: Karen Jew, Rebecca Howie, Alison Marsano, Erin Sarris, Kenneth Haag

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16 Nay:

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17 **MOTION CARRIED**

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19 *The Public Hearing was declared closed at 6:48 p.m.*

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23 Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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