RSU 54/MSAD 54	
BUILDING COMMITTEE	
MINUTES	
April 7, 2021 at 6:00 pm	
Skowhegan Area High School	

<u>PRESENT</u>: Jon Moody, David Leavitt, Sarah Bunker, Jeannie Conley, Goff French, Theresa Howard, Peggy Lovejoy and Lynda Quinn <u>ALSO PRESENT</u>: Brent Colbry, Doug Breer, Patrick Carroll and Andy Johnston

The Building Committee met on April 7, 2021. Architects Doug Breer and Patrick Carroll and Engineer Andy Johnston provided an update on the MSAD 54 site application process.

The firm shared that geotechnical and survey work associated with the Margaret Chase Smith School (MCSS) Site has been scheduled and will be occurring over the coming weeks. David Leavitt has scheduled work around break. SW Cole will be conducting the Geotechnical work and Sackett and Brake will be doing the survey work.

The firm shared an updated layout (building test-fit) on the MCSS site. The committee asked questions about the site and potential impacts of a new school on the community. The firm explained that the new building will actually be set back and provide additional green space between residents than the current site (including bus garage and ballfield parking) does. In addition to general improvements on the site, including playgrounds and the removal of bus traffic with the bus garage removal, it was discussed that new schools generally have a strong positive impact on local home valuations.

The Superintendent and Support Services Manager discussed negotiations with the town regarding the town land abutting the MCSS site. Patrick Carroll Associates provided a costings of the site and worked with the town and town engineer to determine the necessary items to include as part of the field relocation costs. Only those costs associated with rebuilding the fields currently on the MCSS site, necessitated by the 6F conversion, were included in the estimate. A final revised cost estimate was developed and agreed to by both the town and school district. The committee reviewed the cost estimate and answered questions.

The committee selected May 10th as the date for the district site selection public hearing and straw poll vote.