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Mission Statement:
The Harris Town Board strives
to enhance the quality of life,
protect the environment,
and maintain economic stability
for the residents of their community.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT MEETING

September 23, 2015 – 7:30pm

AGENDA

1. Pledge to the flag
2. Business from the Floor
 - Community information: Dr. Bruce Thomas - ISD #318 referendum for funding the school board's facilities plan
3. Consent Agenda
 - None
4. Roads
 - Glen Hodgson, SEH Road Engineer – project updates
 - Other road issues/concerns
5. Recreation
6. Town Hall Report dated 9-8-15
7. Maintenance Report
8. Old Business
 - Consider proposal(s) for conversion to natural gas at Harris Town Hall and Harris Service Center
 - Northern Air Plumbing and Heating
 - Up to two other proposals, if received
9. New Business
10. Public Input
11. Upcoming meetings/events
 - Mon Oct 12 Itasca County Twp Association Meeting 7:00pm Court house
 - Wed Oct 14 Regular Meeting 7:30pm Harris Town Hall
 - Wed Oct 21 Round table with City of Grand Rapids Staff 5:30pm GR Public Works-Serv Ctr
 - Wed Oct 28 Planning & Development Meeting 7:30pm Harris Town Hall
 - Tues Nov 3 Special Election by ISD #318.....polls open 7am – 8pm Harris Town Hall
12. Adjourn

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[Community Meeting Schedule \(http://www.isd318.org/page/2903\)](http://www.isd318.org/page/2903)

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Local residents are asked to weigh in on the future of community schools on November 3, 2015

After seeking input from teachers and staff, parents and students, community members and building experts, the School Board unanimously determined the best plan to meet current and future educational needs of our students is to build two new K-5 elementary schools to replace the four existing elementary schools in Grand Rapids and Cohasset, which are all at least 55 years old.

The benefits of the plan:

Better Learning and Healthier Classrooms

- Prepare for our growing student population – the number of students has increased 26% in the past decade
- Provide the right designs and space to help students learn best
- Move fifth-graders back to elementary school buildings
- Safer school entrances
- More natural light in classrooms
- Adequate property for playgrounds, green space and athletic fields

The plan:

Build two new K-5 elementary schools to help kids learn their best.

Repurpose the four existing schools, potentially for early childhood education sites or city parks.

Plan for Future Needs

- Reduce long-term maintenance costs
- Provide space for parents, families and community groups beyond the school day
- Build schools on enough land to offer flexibility to meet future needs
- Use two current K-4 buildings for early childhood education, residential housing, city parks, or other ways to keep neighborhoods strong

Why is action needed now?

The discussion about our facilities is not a new one – it's one we've had as a community for the past five years. Our classrooms are overcrowded. Our elementary schools no longer meet the needs of students and teachers. (<http://www.isd318.org/page/2905>) The School Board has come to the conclusion that we can no longer provide the best education for our kids in our current buildings.



What is the cost to taxpayers if the plan passes?

The School Board has identified \$80,135,000 as the amount of the referendum.

Have a question?

Your comments and questions are welcome. Email us at facilityplan@isd318.org or call the Superintendent's Office at 218-327-5704.

The cost of the plan is estimated to be between \$76 and \$80 million. If both primary sites are used the cost is estimated to be \$76.2 million. In order to accommodate the more expensive secondary site options, should they be necessary, and including the cost of issuing the bond, the School Board approved a final referendum amount of \$80.1 million.

The cost is estimated to be approximately \$8 a month for 22 years for a home valued at \$150,000. You can see how your taxes would change under the plan by using the **online tax calculator** (<http://www.ehlers-inc.com/custom/taxinformation/ISD318/>).

What's next?

Find out more about the School Board's plan and about the sites the School Board has chosen for the two proposed K-5 schools here on our Facility Plan informational pages. Community meetings will also be held in September and October. A schedule will be posted soon.

Local residents will vote on November 3 whether or not to approve the funding needed to enact the School Board's plan. A decision to authorize bonds payments for this plan must be made by the residents of this school district through a public referendum. The future of our community schools is your decision.

Your comments and questions are welcome. Email us at facilityplan@isd318.org (<mailto:facilityplan@isd318.org>) or call the Superintendent's Office at 218-327-5704.

Please **follow us on Facebook** (<https://www.facebook.com/ISD318>), and read regular updates in the **Grand Rapids Herald Review** (<http://www.grandrapidsmn.com/>) so you can make an informed decision on November 3.

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Harris Township Monthly Town Hall Report

Caretaker Bonner Key

Date 9/8/15

General Cleaning — 16 hrs

Miscellaneous Duties/Work 0 hrs

Inspections, maintenance, Non-routine work,
Board meeting functions

Total 16 hrs

Rentals

Number of rentals

Residents

No Charge

Funeral, etc

Discounted

Only by Board approval

Non-Residents

Discounted

Only by Board approval

Total

Deposits Retained 0

Total Money collected \$ 125.00

Maintenance or Safety concerns:

Exit Door next to meeting room.
The Steps are cracking on the platform
all the way across.

Thanks Bonner Key

Monthly Maintenance Report for August 10th to September 4th 2015

Road & Bridge:

- Completed mowing ditches on all township roads
- Patched a bad area on Sunny Beach Addition with cold patch
- Pothole repair on Sunny Beach Rd., Little Crystal Ln., Pine Landing Rd.
- Trimmed trees and brush around road signs
- Installed a new Root Rd. name sign and installed Caution Children at Play signs on Pine Landing Rd.
- Filled in low shoulder area with 1 ½" rock on Mishawaka Shores Rd
- We met with Glen Hodgson on Lakeview Dr., and Harbor Heights Rd., to discuss how to improve the drainage and shoulders of these roads after they were resurfaced last year
- Road inspections were made

Equipment:

- Changed the Skid Shoes on the John Deere 7130 ditch mower

- Fixed the mower deck on the Gravely lawnmower after it had a slight bend to it causing it to mow uneven
- Refilled fluid and cut out a worn out area of hose on the Hydronic Grave Heater.
- Changed oil and filter on the Chevrolet dump truck
- Changed air filters and greased the ASV
- Replaced old fuel line on the STIHL chainsaw
- Cleaned lawnmower decks and greased when needed
- Adjusted the mower deck belt on the Gravely lawnmower

Cemetery:

- Cremation burial for Carolyn Garrison in section 2
- Cremation burial for Betty LaPlant in section 3
- Cremation burial for Audrey Ross in section 3
- Mowing and trimming of cemetery
- Marked out Hafar grave sites to indicate that there is room for the whole block to be used by the family instead of it being cut off due to old Road right of Way measurements

- Picked up Veterans bronze plates from the Veterans Office
- Weekly inspections were made of the cemetery

Recreation:

- Mowing and trimming of Wendigo, Crystal and, Wendigo Picnic Park
- Cleaned and painted the cement picnic tables at the Wendigo Picnic Park
- Limbed up tress at the Wendigo Picnic Park
- Drag ballfields at both parks
- Sprayed weeds in Wendigo ballfield
- Blow off the needles and pine cones at Wendigo Park tennis court
- Weekly inspection were made of all parks

Building & Grounds:

- Replaced a ballast of one of the lights in the kitchen of the Town Hall
- Mowing and trimming of the Town Hall and Service Center

- Weekly inspections were made at the Town Hall and the Service Center

Public Accesses:

- Added 1 ½" rock and washed sand to the Casper boat landing to help avoid the pavement from washing out more
- Added 1 ½" rock to Mishawaka Landing to a washed out spot
- Garbage clean up at all landings
- Someone had started pulling out the crack filling material and left it at the LaPlant boat landing
- Weekly inspections were made at all of the boat landings

Safety:

- No Accidents or injuries

100-General #Hrs-- 21.5

- . Schooling
- . Election Set Up
- . Miscellaneous Labor
- . Meeting Time
- . Holiday Pay
- . Vacation & Floater Pay
- . Funeral Leave
- . Garbage/Dump

200-Road & Bridge #Hrs-- 124.5

- . Brushing
- . Mowing
- . Snowplowing
- . Grading
- . Ditching
- . Culvert Labor
- . Sign Labor
- . Crack Filling Labor
- . Pothole Labor
- . Tree Maintenance
- . Miscellaneous Labor
- . Road Inspections
- . Survey Wheel Labor

300-Equipment #Hrs-- 29.5

- . Pickup Labor
- . Dump Truck Labor
- . Lawnmower Labor
- . Snow blower Labor
- . Felling Trailer Labor
- . ASV Trailer Labor
- . small Trailers Labor
- . Terex ASV Labor
- . Tar Pot Labor
- . Weed Whip Labor
- . Backhoe Labor
- . 1445 Tractor Labor
- . Chainsaw Labor
- . Snowplow Labor
- . Leaf Blower Labor
- . Chipper Labor
- . Compressor Labor
- . Brush Saw Labor
- . Packer Labor
- . Welder Labor
- . Miscellaneous Labor
- . Wash Equipment
- . 1445 Tractor Mower Labor
- . 1445 Tractor Broom Labor
- . 1445 Tractor Snow blower Labor
- . J.D. 7130 Labor
- . Diamond mower labor
- . Pressure Washer Labor
- . E1100 Ground Heater Labor
- . ETQ Generator Labor
- . ASV Brush Hog Labor
- . Air Compressor Labor

400-Cemetery #Hrs-- 34.75

- . Miscellaneous Labor
- . Layout Graves
- . Mowing
- . Snow removal
- . Groundwork Labor
- . Headstone Labor
- . Grave Thawer Labor
- . Grave Opening & Closing
- . Grave Markers
- . Flags & Flagpoles
- . Fencing Labor
- . Monument Labor
- . Garage Maintenance Labor
- . Well Labor

500- Recreation #Hrs-- 70.5

- . Miscellaneous Labor
- . Wendigo Mowing
- . Wendigo Ball field Maintenance
- . Wendigo Bleacher Labor
- . Wendigo Tennis Courts Maintenance
- . Wendigo Flooding & Snow Removal
- . Wendigo Rink Attendant
- . Mow Crystal
- . Crystal Ball field Maintenance
- . Crystal Bleacher Labor
- . Crystal Tennis Court Maintenance
- . Crystal Basketball Court Maintenance
- . Crystal Flooding & Snow Removal
- . Crystal Rink Attendant
- . Crystal Volleyball Court Maintenance
- . Crystal Pavilion Maintenance
- . Crystal Pavilion posting Labor
- . Crystal French drain Labor

600-Buildings & Grounds #Hrs-- 39

- . Mow Townhall
- . Snow Removal at Townhall
- . Groundwork at Townhall
- . Town hall Building Maintenance
- . Garage Building Maintenance
- . Miscellaneous at Hall Property
- . Wendigo Fencing Labor
- . Snow Removal at Wendigo
- . Groundwork at Wendigo
- . Wendigo Well
- . Wendigo Warming Shack
- . Wendigo Skating Rink
- . Wendigo Signs
- . Miscellaneous at Wendigo
- . Snow Removal Crystal
- . Groundwork crystal
- . Electrical Crystal
- . Well at Crystal
- . Crystals Warming Shack
- . Crystal Skating Rink
- . Crystal Signs
- . Miscellaneous at Crystal

- . Crystal Fencing labor
- . Park Inspections

- . Snow Removal Public Access
- . Miscellaneous Public Access
- . Public Access Inspection
- . Docks at Public Access

- . Groundwork at Public Access
- . Mishawaka Access
- . La Plant Access
- . Casper Access
- . Woodtick Access
- . Public Accesses Garbage
- . Mow & Trim Public Accesses

- . Beaver Control at Accesses
- . Service Center Supplies
- . Service Center Lights
- . Building Maintenance Parts
- . Building Maintenance Labor
- . Service Center Heat
- . Service Center Phone
- . Service Center Mow
- . Service Center Snow Removal
- . Service Center Groundwork Material
- . Service Center Groundwork Labor
- . Security System Material
- . Security System Labor

TOTAL 319.75

Proposal

Northern Air Plumbing & Heating of Grand Rapids, Inc.

33204 Shadywood Road
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
northernairph@yahoo.com
218-327-9361

September 16, 2015

Harris Township
kshaubrich@g.com

Harris Town Hall / Service Center

We propose hereby to furnish material and labor – complete in accordance with specifications below:

See individual options listed below.

Payments to be made as follows:

Payments as billed

Authorized
Signature: _____

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by us
if not accepted within 30 days.

We hereby submit specifications and estimates for:

Conversion: \$2479.00

We will convert the furnace and stove from LP to natural gas at the town hall. We will run a gas line from the meter to the existing gas line going into the building and add a maxitrol in line to reduce gas pressure. One shut off will be replaced with a new shut off to bring up to code. The lines will be air tested prior to turning the gas on.

We will convert the furnace and replace the water heater at the service center. We will run a gas line from the meter to the existing gas line going into the building and add a maxitrol in line to reduce gas pressure. The lines will be air tested prior to turning the gas on.

Acceptance of Proposal :

I authorize Northern Air Plumbing and Heating of Grand Rapids, Inc. to proceed with the work as bid.

I understand that I am liable for payment of all work done, supplies used, as well as any extra charges incurred such as state filing fees, testing, and building permits.

I agree that if any invoice for services are not paid when due, then all of the principle and interest shall at the election of Northern Air Plumbing and Heating of Grand Rapids, Inc. become due and payable at once and from the date of such selection this bill shall bear interest at 18% per annual. The makers, endorsers, guarantors and sureties hereby jointly and severally agree to pay all costs of collection including reasonable attorney's fees. If the unpaid balance is referred to an attorney for collection the undersigned authorizes any attorney of record to confess judgment to the entered, by any court which may have jurisdiction, at any time after default in payment shall occur and hereby waive all exceptions to the extent permitted by law.

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SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____