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MINUTES
LEBANON SCHOOL DISTRICT AND CITY COUNCIL
JOINT PARTNERSHIP TASK FORCE
THURSDAY, January 27, 2022
Council Chambers, City Hall
6:00PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:12 PM. Present of the Task Force: Mayor Timothy McNamara, School Board Chairman Richard Milius, School Board Member Jenica Nelan, City Councilor Karen Liot Hill

Staff Present: Superintendent Joanne Roberts, City Manager Shaun Mulholland

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

– October 21, 2021

MOTION made by Mayor McNamara, seconded by Chairman Milius to approve the minutes. Motion passed.

3. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Discuss the School District's Equity Audit- Superintendent Roberts stated that surveys have been sent out. They anticipate the audit to be completed sometime this spring.
- B. School District will provide an update on the status of ESSER funding- Superintendent Roberts provided a summary of the status of ESSER funding opportunities.
- C. Legislative Update-Councilor Hill discussed her testimony in the House of Representatives regarding proposed repeal of the "Divisive Concepts" law that is now in effect. Superintendent Roberts and City Manager Mulholland discussed several other bills of relevance and the general tenor of the legislature.
- D. Discuss the status of the potential transfer of the Seminary School Building to the City. - Mayor McNamara proposed a schedule regarding the process to obtain concurrence with the School Board regarding the City's proposal to take possession of the Seminary Hill School building and renovate it for City and SAU use.
- E. Discuss the status of the City's cooperative effort to expand broadband to unserved households in the City by the end of 2022. – City Manager Mulholland provided a summary of the City's cooperative partnership with Comcast to extend broadband internet service to the 142 homes in the City that do not presently have service. This project would be partially funded by the City through ARPA funds (10% of the project cost) while the remainder would be funded by Comcast. The project would be complete by the end of 2022.

4. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- School Budget Update
- City Goal Setting status
- Housing Update
- School Big Ideas Strategic Plan Update
- School District Diversity Audit Status

5. NEXT MEETING DATE: May 19, 2022

6. OTHER BUSINESS: None

7. ADJOURNMENT.

MOTION made by Mayor McNamara to adjourn, seconded by Chairman Milius. Motion passed.

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