



*St. Michael-Albertville School Board
City of Albertville
City of St. Michael*

Joint Meeting
Monday, October 30, 2017, 6:00 p.m.

St. Michael City Hall

1. Call to Order

STMA Board Chair called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

2. Set Agenda

Hudson/Saville. The agenda was set and approved. Members of the Cities and School Board present:

City of Albertville	City of St. Michael	STMA School Board
Adam Nafstad, City Administrator Jillian Hendrickson, Mayor Walter Hudson, Council Member Rob Olson, Council Member	Steve Bot, City Administrator Kevin Kasel, Mayor Cody Gulick, Council Member Keith Wettschreck, Council Member Nadine Schoen, Council Member	Drew Scherber, Chair Gayle Weber, Vice Chair Kari Dwinnell, Treasurer Jennifer Peyerl, Clerk Jeff Lindquist, Director Hollie Saville, Director Dr. Ann-Marie Foucault, Superintendent

3. Arena Agreement Update

Doug Birk, Director of Administrative Services, was present to give an update on the Joint Powers Board Agreement and make sure everyone is on the same page. He started with a history of the board, which started in 1997 and consists of 2 appointed representatives from Albertville, St. Michael and the School District. Each entity reserved 1/3 ownership and liability interest in the current ice arena. In February 2017, the STMA Community passed the district bond referendum to build a new arena. Under state law, the new arena addition must be owned exclusively by the School District for bonding/state aid equalization. The district wants to continue the tradition of shared governance and prior serving arrangement; is asking to prioritize ice time in the arena addition for the boys and girls varsity and junior varsity hockey teams; and will provide funding for the admin and management.

City Administrators and the School Superintendent along with Legal Counsel have worked together to draft a new Joint Powers Agreement, which will need to be approved by all entities involved. Following a final joint agreement, Albertville and St. Michael will deed via quitclaim the property currently owned by the Joint Powers Board to the school district to build the Arena Addition and in return, the School District will provide the cities with a perpetual ingress, egress, and parking easement over the vacant lot. The target date for completion of construction of the new arena addition is November 1, 2018.

The changes that will occur with the Arena Addition are - the addition will be owned exclusively by the school district; all common equipment shared by the two arenas will be owned: 1/6 by the City of St. Michael, 1/6 by the City of Albertville, and 4/6 by the STMA School District; and The Arena Board will move from a six-member board to a seven-member board (two members from Albertville City Council, two members from St. Michael City Council; and three members from STMA School District). Nothing is changing with the original arena as far as ownership; the basic governance model will remain intact; and the arena board will continue to make policy decisions for the original area. Albertville will assume sole responsibility for the management of both arenas, but will not be responsible for any liabilities or costs. All liabilities for the admin and management of the combined Arena including taxes, bills, or other obligations and shared combined arena expenses are the responsibility of the Arena Board. The target agency fund balance is 35% of the estimated annual expenditures.

Birk reported the current Zamboni machine is aged and cannot meet the needs of both arenas. A new Zamboni for use in both arenas shall be purchased out of existing agency funds, and after purchase, will be considered an operational asset of the Arena Board.

As far as ice time, budget impacts and termination are concerned, the girls program is anticipated to migrate back to STMA. The district will pay agreed upon regular rental rate for the first 222 hours of ice time in a fiscal year; then the district will receive 176 practice hours; and the district will pay for any additional ice time beyond 398 hours in a fiscal year. The district is responsible for all personnel related to games and will retain game revenue. The primary consideration for scheduling ice time is boys and girls varsity and junior varsity games and practices. The district retains the right to use non-ice community and private rental spaces at no charge if not rented out, and may adjust the amount of time it rents in the Combined Arena on a year-to-year basis to reflect the needs and requirements of boys and girls hockey programs. Parties intend that this arrangement will have a net neutral revenue/expense effect on the entities, and each entity remains committed to a \$15,000 contribution annually for capital costs. The agreement is effective until June 30, 2019 then subject to one-year renewals, and any party retains the right to terminate the new agreement by submitting notice on or before August 1st. Albertville Administrator Adam Nafstad reported the Arena Board has already approved the agreement. He then complimented them and thanked them for their service.

4. East Water Tower Logo Update

St. Michael Administrator Steve Bot explained the Joint Powers Water Board has agreed on a logo to complete the east water tower. The plan is to mirror the west water tower which reads, "Home of the Knights". He thanked both cities and the Joint Powers Water Board representatives who made this happen. Bot said this is a great partnership and the logo is a good representation of the partnership.

5. School Facilities Project Update

Superintendent Ann-Marie Foucault provided a brief update on the school facility projects.

Primary School. A security entrance was added to the front of the building requiring visitors to buzz in. There are also eight classrooms being added to the east side of the School. This project is well underway.

Middle School East. A security entrance was added which was quite involved and will be finished over fall break. The pool had some corrosion in the pipes that needed to be addressed as well as some upgrades to the diving boards. The swimmers are reporting the water quality is much better.

Technology. This will be a four-year project, but a lot happened this summer. The district has purchased a Poster Printer, Smart Boards, Laptops for Science and Administration, iPad for the Art/Music Department, Desktops and Monitors at the High School, Chromebook Carts and Chrome Bases, as well as upgrades to the Network Infrastructure at the High School and Middle School.

Energy Efficiency. Director of Buildings and Grounds Terry Zerwas has installed 10,000 LED lightbulbs. In addition, the boiler at the Community Education Building has been replaced and is now more efficient, as well as the generator at St. Michael Elementary.

High School. The security entrance is now complete. There are also two additions taking place which will add 12 classrooms. The dirt work has started for the All-Purpose Facility, but construction has not begun yet. There will also be new tennis courts and ball fields added next summer. The plan is for everything to be complete and open by August 2018.

Ice Arena. Dr. Foucault reminded everyone there is a groundbreaking ceremony scheduled for November 6th at 4:00 pm; all are invited to attend.

6. Other Updates

County Commissioner Mike Potter was present to say the cities and school board should keep the County informed with any future expansions so they can use the information for planning of future roadways.

Mayor Kasel also reported Wright County wants to partner with Wright County Area Transportation (WCAT) and over the next five years, they will completely take over everything. He feels it is a big win for the cities involved.

7. Adjourn

Wettschreck/Gulick. Motion to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried.