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Sent: Tuesday, August 13, 2024 10:05 PM
To: boe@ledyard.net; Jay Hartling; Anthony Favry
Cc: Naomi Rodriguez; Roxanne Maher; Town Council Group
Subject: BOE Regular Meeting of August 14th, 2024

Dear BOE members and Mr Hartling,

I would like to add some information relevant to the discussion carried out during tonight's meeting regarding the use of Impact funds and the letter that Chairman Rodriguez sent to the BOE. I would also like to correct some of the information that was mentioned during the meeting that was not accurate.

As I mentioned during my Town Council Liaison report, the letter that Chairman Rodriguez sent to the BOE resulted from the discussion that was had at the last TC Finance committee meeting regarding the transfer of the Federal Impact Aid to the BOE CNR Reserve fund. Members of the committee discussed that they wanted to get information from the BOE about what the funds would be used for before voting on the motion. While the letter that Chairman Rodriguez sent was not discussed at the last TC meeting, it was sent to the rest of the TC and the Mayor. This letter is included in the Agenda of tomorrow's (Wednesday, August 14th) Finance committee meeting and there's a motion included in the Agenda stating the following:

MOTION to transfer additional revenues received for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 as follows: · Agri-Science (ASTE) \$39,502 to Account #22570101 (BOE ASTE CNR) to be used in accordance with Agri-Science Plan.
· Federal Impact Aid \$304,635 to Account #22570101 (BOE CNR Reserve Fund) to be used for the following in accordance with the Board of Education's Fiscal Year
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Finance Committee ~ AGENDA ~ August 14, 2024
2024/2025 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP):
ü \$210,000 Ledyard High School Existing Elevator Replacement
ü \$40,000 Ledyard High School Tennis Court Resurfacing
ü \$50,000 Juliet W. Long School Playground.

Here is the link to the

Agenda: <https://ledyardct.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=A&ID=1224530&GUID=6178D264-BF07-42D8-B9F5-917E699E09CA>

I would also like to clarify that the Town Council never cut funding for the JWL playground. During today's meeting, it was mentioned that the TC cut the funding and that's not accurate. On the contrary, the Town Council restored the funding that the BOE requested. The original budget that the Mayor submitted to the Town Council had cut the amount for the playground from \$70,000 to \$50,000. The Town Council restored the \$20,000 that was cut by the Mayor's budget to get to the final amount of \$70,000.

I would recommend that a member of the BOE Finance committee attends the TC Finance committee meeting to express your concerns and provide details regarding the motion that the BOE approved tonight.

I will be back in CT on August 16th, but if I can be of any assistance regarding questions that you might have please don't hesitate to contact me.

I hope you all have a great rest of the week.

Regards,
Carmen

Sent from my iPad