

Draft Memorial School Building Minutes February 2, 2026

Mr. Meyler called the meeting to order at approximately 6:40 p.m.

Committee Members In
attendance:

James Hannigan

Kyla Meade

Alan Cloutier

Maria McMorran

Kat Monahan

Bruce Evans

Catherine Brunell

Stephen Meyler

Jamie Errickson

Bill Spratt

Matt Gillis

Melissa Spash

Doug Tierney

Non Voting Members:

Jillian Wilson Martin

Deborah Schatz

Linda McGrath

	Position	Name
1	Superintendent	Melissa Spash
2	Assist Superintendent Business Office	Matthew Gillis
3	Chair	Stephen Meyler
4	Town Administrator	James Errickson
5	Select Board	Bruce Evans
6	Finance Committee (FinCom)	Kat Monahan
7	Planning Board	Alan Cloutier
8	Facilities Lead	Bill Spratt
9	School Committee Member Rep.	Catherine Brunell
10	Member of the Public	Sam Soderholm
11	Member of the Public	Kyla Meade
12	Member of the Public	Maria McMorran
13	Member of the Public	Doug Tierney
14	Member of the Public	James Hannigan
1	Natick Police Representative	Officer Beth Heffler
2	Sustainability Leader	Jillian Wilson-Martin
3	Natick Fire	TBD

Public Speak

A member of the public, Ms. Brinley Vickers, came forward. She thanked the committee for putting the minutes on the website and affirmed an offer to support adding the slide decks used in our meetings to the website.

Tour

The Chair of the committee Mr. Meyler explained that the purpose for tonight is to capture what has worked and is not working within the building and the grounds. He indicated that Mr. Spratt would lead the discussion; Ms. Wilson-Martin will speak to sustainability, Principal Jodie Cohen will support.

The committee went on a tour of the Kennedy Middle School. The committee decided to put individual notes into a google form and Mr. Meyler edited and consolidated them into one document for review and discussion in a few meetings as not all observations are actionable best practices.

Ms. Wilson Martin shared a map of clean energy. Including the Battery and Solar supports 36% of the electricity needs. It is saving about \$45K a year. The battery allows us to save an additional \$20K a year. She's learned that during the building and design process, "commissioning" is very important. She noted that there is an opportunity to build more sustainability into the design process - for example, there is not much solar on the roof.

Ms. Wilson Martin also spoke about the LEED certification review report for Kennedy and possible opportunities for Memorial. Mr. Evans asked if LEED's review process had changed since the Kennedy project was constructed. Ms. Wilson Martin confirmed that yes, a new version, LEEDv5, has since been released. (Kennedy was built in accordance with [LEEDv4](#).)

Ms. Brunell asked if the score report was about the reimbursement rate. Ms. Wilson Martin indicated that there are a few ways that impact the rate. The Specialized stretch code is one way and then there are a few different sustainable score cards - like the Leed Review Report that will determine additional percentages. Mr. Meyler indicated that we will be going into greater depth to review value added opportunities and that we need to be careful to implement these that drive value otherwise the costs to implement all Green technologies may be in excess of what the Town can afford especially the sr. community tax payers who are on fixed incomes.

Minutes:

Mr. Errickson moved to approve all the minutes on the agenda subject to review for correct spelling of everyone's name. Mr. Evans seconded. The motion passed 12-0-1.

Mr. Evans made a motion to adjourn at 8:04. Mr. Spratt seconded. The motion passed 13-0-0.

Submitted by Catherine Brunell and Karen Ghillani