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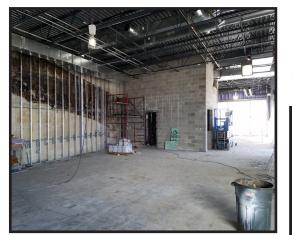
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Join us for a Peek Inside the Project.....

Serving Northern Minnesota Communities

Hill City, Jacobson, and Swatara







"I had a vision six years ago about what this project might look like... the community and now Blandin are making this vision become a reality". This was the comment from Hill City Business Manager Ellie Hill after she found out the school had been awarded \$150,000 grant to apply towards our community school project. As you can see from the attached pictures, the building project is now running "full steam ahead". Building and Grounds Director Eric Hill reported at the last Project Core Leadership Team meeting, the contractors have been wonderful, work quality has been outstanding and he thinks the community is going to love this building when the students return next fall.





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Committee Assignments for 2018

Committee

MSHSL Negotiations Committee

Curriculum Committee Community Education Advisory Council Meet and Confer

Staff Development School and Community Health Team Recertification Committee ARCC Comparable Worth NESC Board Safety/Transportation Committee Athletic Advisory Committee

Representative

Mark Meyer Jay Zapzalka, Dorie Barnes and Mark Meyer (Sue Kaslow, Alt.) Joell Miranda (Bambi Lange, Alt.) Mark Meyer (Joell Miranda, Alt.) Dorie Barnes and Joell Miranda (Bambi Lange, Alt.) Joell Miranda (Bambi Lange, Alt.) Joell Miranda and Dorie Barnes Bambi Lange Sue Kaslow **Dorie Barnes** Sue Kaslow Jay Zapzalka Jay Zapzalka and Mark Meyer (Dorie Barnes, Alt.) Bambi Lange (Mark Meyer, Alt.)

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INSTANTALERI Infinite Campus' Voice Messenger system will call parents between 5:00 - 6:00 a.m. for school closings.

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Community Newsletter Deadline

Just a reminder, if you would like an article put in the Community Newsletter, it must be turned in to the school office by the 15th of the month to be put in the following months' newsletter. Newsletters are generally sent out by the 25th of the month. If you have any questions regarding this, please feel free to contact Jessica at (218) 697-2394, ext. 101.



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INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 HILL CITY, MINNESOTA

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education of Independent School District No. 2, Hill City, Minnesota, was called to order by Acting Chairman Mark Meyer at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, February 26, 2018.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Joell Miranda, Bambi Lange, Mark Meyer and Dorie Barnes. Board Members absent: Sue Kaslow and Jay Zapzalka. Also present was Superintendent/Principal Pat Rendle, Business Manager Ellie Hill, Building & Grounds Director Eric Hill, and other staff and visitors.

- 1. Approved the Agenda as presented.
- 2. Approved the following:
 *Minutes of the Board Workshop of January 17, 2018
 *Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 22, 2018

*Bills presented for payment in January 2018 *Investments and wire transfers *Reviewed the Activity Fund Statement

*Reviewed Cash Receipts including donations.

- 3. FJJ Construction update was given.
- 4. There was no report from the School Attorney.
- 5. Transportation Report: No report.
- 6. Swarm Student Leadership: None to Report
- 7. Curriculum Committee: None.
- 8. School and Community Health Committee: Hannah reported on the Game On grant second installment, Every Kid Healthy Week is April 23-27, 2018, and they are going to do a taste test. Joell is working on the wellness policy and going to target sections of the policy at a time. The remainder of this year they will focus on active classroom brain breaks and energizers. They are planning the upcoming Health Fair which is to be held on March 8, 2018 from 1:30 to 5:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Hannah gave an overview of how the Farm2School program is going. Shawn would like two to three substitutes to help with Farm2School prep for the 2018-2019 school year at approximately six hours per person for prep but would depend on what was being served. Some of the months she may not need as much help. Mark Meyer stated the Board would like them to continue with the Farm2School meals on a monthly basis of nine months, instead of the five to six months

Shawn was proposing. This will be reviewed again in the fall to see if food service is staying within its' budget.

- 9. Safety/Transportation Committee: The next meeting is scheduled for March 6, 2018 at 7:30 a.m.
- 10. Negotiation Committee: Approved the 2017-2019 HCUE Master Agreement. A copy of the 2017-2019 HCUE Master Agreement is attached to the Minutes and made a part thereof.
 Approved the 2015-2018 Business Manager Contract Amendment. A copy of the 2015-2018 Business Manager Contract Amendment is attached to the Minutes and made a part thereof.
- 11. Community Education Report: Community Education Programmer Tami Meyer gave a written report. Current programs are: elementary basketball, open gym, homework help, archery, beginning band, JO Volleyball and winter carnival. Upcoming programs are Leapin' Leprechaun on March 16, 2018 from 5 to 7 p.m. and Girl's Camp on April 28, 2018 at Long Lake Conservation Center.
- 12. Early Childhood Report: They are revising the budget and looking at ways to collaberate with Head Start.
- 13. Building & Grounds Director Report: Building & Grounds Director Eric Hill thanked his crew for the great job they are doing during all the construction. They are getting ready for multiple inspections coming up soon.
- 14. Superintendent/Principal Report: Superintendent/ Principal Rendle gave an IASC update stating our district teachers recently attended Multi-District day and it went well.

Superintendent/Principal Rendle spoke about the lockdown. It went well. The investigation found someone was intending to sell on campus. The "Medical Lockdown" term was a mistake and should have been referred to as a "soft lockdown". The school threat was handled extrememly well and was resolved within a 24 hour time frame.

- 15. Approved to increase Kristy James as Special Education paraprofessional from .87 FTE to .92 FTE for the 2017-2018 school year.
- 16. Approved hiring Kevin Murphy as Head HCN Storm Baseball Coach for the 2017-2018 school year with pay as per the current HCUE Master Agreement.
- 17. Approved hiring Danny Potter as Head Softball Coach for the 2017-2018 school year with pay as per the current HCUE Master Agreement.
- 18. Approved hiring Jennifer Pierce as Summer Band Coach for the 2017-2018 school year with pay as per the current HCUE Master Agreement.

 INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 2 HILL CITY, MINNESOTA (Continued) 19. Approved to post for one assistant and two junior high HCN Storm baseball coaches. 20. No action was taken on hiring a junior high volleyball coach for the 2018-2019 school year. 21. There was a negotiation committee meeting with AFSCME on February 21, 2018. There will be a negotiation committee meeting for Building & Grounds Director on March 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. 22. Approved to move the Regular May Board meeting to May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. 23. Meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m. Respectfully submitted, Joell Miranda, Clerk 	 grant will now begin. Mayor : The Mayor was not present. Clerk Clerk McManigle had nothing to report. 1st Responders There was nothing from the 1st Responders Committees: Personnel, Facilities/Equipment and Land Use There was nothing. Old Business New Business A. Approve 2018 Fire Contracts
City of Hill City Regular Council Meeting	Motion made by Lange to approve the 2018 Fire Contracts as present, second by Haugen. Motion carried with all
March 15, 2018	members present voting in favor.
	Motion made by Christensen to adjourn the meeting at 6:08
 Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance/Roll Call Mayor Larry Baker and Deputy Mayor Marci Holm 	p.m., second by Haugen.
were absent so Clerk McManigle opened the meeting at	Respectfully Submitted: Diana McManigle, Clerk/Treasurer
6:02 p.m. and explained that the remaining Council needed	Terry Christensen, Council
to appoint one of them to preside over the meeting. B. The following members were present: Council	Kindergarten
members Terry Christensen, Tina Haugen and David Lange.	
C. Motion made by Haugen to appoint Council	RoundUp
member Christensen to preside over the meeting, second by Lange. Motion carried with all members present voting	The annual Kindergarten Round Up at
in favor.	the Hill City School is scheduled for
D. Everyone joined in the Pledge of Allegiance.	Ápril 27th 2018.
2. Consent Agenda	All of the children in the district who will
Motion made by Lange to approve the consent agenda as presented, second by Haugen. Motion carried with all	be five years of age before September 1,
members present voting in favor.	2016 are eligible to attend Kindergarten.
3. Public Forum	Parents will be contacted by letter with
A. There was no one present from the public.4. Addition or Corrections to the Agenda	,
There were no additions or correction to the agenda.	details about activities planned for the
5. Reports	day. If you are new to the district, please
Maintenance/Water/Sewer/Parks/Airport/Streets Head Maintenance/Public Works, George Casper, 	call the school at
explained that the water computer has "screwed up" on	218-697-2394.
February 16th and has since been repaired.	This is an important day in the lives of
The Hill Lake Café's water had frozen up.	these children and their parents. The
 George Casper and Pat Jordan have been working on getting the culverts in town thawed and cleaned out. 	children will meet their fellow classmates
• G. Casper showed the Council one of three signs that will	and their teacher; the parents will
be placed around the city saying, "Trees Planted by Hill City	receive information to help them get their
Area Lions". The signs will be placed in Bear Park, Veteran's Park and at the Hill Lake Park.	kindergarten child off to a good start!
Fire Dept.	We are looking forward to meeting
Fire Chief Jeremy Nelson said that the Fire Dept. had held	all of you!
a meeting with all the Townships within the Hill City Fire Depts. coverage area and that no one showed up.	
Police Department	
 Police Chief Josh Kimball gave the monthly activity report 	
for the Police Dept.	

Newsletter #19

HEALTHY YOUTH

Practical Suggestions for Building Assets in Your Child

ASSET #15: Positive Peer Influence

Youth are more likely to grow up healthy when their best friends model responsible behavior

> 60% of youth surveyed by Search Institute have this asset in their lives.

What Are Assets?

Assets are 40 key building blocks to help kids succeed. "Positive peer influence" is one of six boundaries and expectations assets.

^o Based on Search Institute surveys of almost 100,000 4th- to 12th-grade youth throughout the United States.

Photos of Friends: Snapshots of Responsibility

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The best way to encourage children to choose positive, healthy relationships is to model them ourselves. Take out an old yearbook or photo album. Look at pictures of the friends you had as a teenager.

Think about the friends who acted in ways you admired. Most people can remember at least one person who always sensed when things weren't going well and called, sent a note, or showed up to find out what was wrong. Often, these are the people who turned out to be lifelong friends.

How about people who weren't such true friends? Was there someone who spread rumors about you, or talked behind your back? Did you ever have a friend who tried to get you to do things you didn't want to do? The pain of these kinds of experiences often teaches young people a lot about how they want to be treated by others.

No one forced you to like people who were

Helpful Hints

Tips that encourage your child to choose responsible friendships:

- Get to know your child's friends and their families. Point out what you like about them.
- Get to know the parents of your children's friends. Share your values and rules with them and ask them about theirs.
- Don't jump to conclusions based on what friends look like.
- Be honest with your child when you're concerned about a relationship.



good to you, or feel angry at people who hurt you. You had to make your own choices about who your friends were. In the same way, we can't control who our children choose as friends. They are exploring their world, themselves, and the people around them. Sometimes they're attracted to people we don't approve of (and that, deep inside, they probably don't approve of either). Other times they say the 'good' kids are boring. However, if we model responsible relationships, talk to our children about how others act, and are involved in their lives, gradually they'll see that friends who act, talk, and think in positive ways will bring out the best in them.

time together

Three ways to help your child choose responsible friends:

- Make sure your kids get to know your friends. The best way to
- teach is to be a role model. Include your child's friends in
- some family activities. Get to know them.
- 3. Talk about your childhood friends and why some friendships ended.



Thursday, May 3 4:30-5:30 p.m. Hill City School Cafeteria and Commons

Please join us for an evening of reading, books, games, and food. Weather permitting, some activities will be held outside so we can enjoy the spring weather. A free hot dog picnic will be served. Child Care provided for the little ones.

Adults - \$8.00 Children (6 - 12) - \$4.00 5 & under – Free



Includes: potato salad, cole slaw, beans, buns, and beverage

FREE intro classes for Bone Builders

April 23 & 25 (Mon & Wed) meet at Trinity Lutheran Church at 9:30 AM (will last an hour plus) Dress comfortably and bring your own bottle of water.

Bone Builders is coming to Hill City! Brought to you by ElderCircle, Bone Builders is a noimpact, non-aerobic fitness and exercise program designed specifically for older adults to build muscle strength and improve bone density, which has been shown to prevent, and in some cases, reverse the effects of osteoporosis. Training for volunteers is provided twice a year.

ElderCircle currently serves over 300 Bone Builders participants at 12+ Bone Builders sites. Funding is provided by grants and donations so there are no costs to participants or volunteers, and there is a modest mileage reimbursement available to volunteer class leaders Benefits that participants experience: Information gathered in a June 2017 Bone Builders survey (107 surveys returned):

95% reported improved physical strength
93% reported improved flexibility
91% reported improved balance
85% reported increased energy
84% reported improved overall state of mind
81% reported improved overall health.
More info at Elder Circle: Lisa Randall at
218-999-9233x278 or lisa@eldercircle.org.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RRn_k0FDX18



Mandatory MN State Firearm Safety Training is required of all 12-15 year old students who wish to purchase a Minnesota Archery or Firearms Deer License. Students must attend the full training in order to receive their safety certificate. Students must be 12 years. Adults may take the course for certification as well. If you have any questions, you may contact Mark at 218-251-2738.

Students will NOT bring guns to class.

Where:	Hill City School Room 205
When:	April 12th, 17th, 19th, 24th, 26th,
	May 1st
	Range Day is May 3rd 4:00 - 5:30 Starts at
	school and ending at the range.
Parent or	Guardian must fill out paperwork first nig
Time:	6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Ages:MUST be at least 11 yrs. oldAdults are welcomeCost:FREE

Registration: **<u>Registration is REQUIRED</u>**



For questions concerning this class, please contact Tami @ Hill City Community Education at: 697-2394 x172 tmeyer@isd002.org or Mark at 218-251-2738.

JACOBSON COMMUNITY NEWS

APRIL 2018

Organizations and Event

Ball Bluff Township

Ball Bluff Board Meeting is the second Thursday of the month April12that 7:00 at Jacobson Community Center.

Jacobson Seniors

Meets every Thursday for fun and fellowship. 10:00-2:00 with a potluck at noon.

ECR Library Outreach Program

East Central Regional Library Outreach will be at the Jacobson Community Center every other Thursday at 9:00- 9:30. Dates are: April 5 and 19 Book Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2:00 at the Community Center. If you are interested in joining our book club call Harriet at 752-6699.

Jacobson Civic Club

Meets on April 9th at 1:00 at Jacobson Community Center. Hostess is Diane Hartwig. Want to join us? Call Diane Hartwig 612-508-4158.

Jacobson Landing Recreation Area

Board Meetings at 7:00 p.m. at Jacobson Fire Hall on April 18.

Jacobson Fire & Rescue

Interested in Joining the Jacobson Volunteer Fire and Rescue? Call Chief Dale Thompson 752-6560.

1st Thursday monthly: Business Meeting 3rd Thursday monthly: 1st Responder & Fire Training. Meetings are at the Fire Hall at 7:00

For more information, call 218-426-4799, 218-752-1062, or 218-752-6618.

Jacobson Food Shelf

The Jacobson Food Shelf will be open on April 5 and 19 from 4 to 6 p.m. at Carmel Lutheran Church.

Jacobson Churches

Jacobson Community Church

The public is invited to the "little white church in downtown Jacobson." Sunday mornings: 9:30 a.m. to 10:20 Sunday School for all ages 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Worship Bible study on Wed. evenings at 7:00 to 8:00

Bible study on Wed. evenings at 7:00 to 8:00 Pastor George Collins

Carmel Lutheran Church Everyone welcome.

Easter Sunday service at 11:00. April 1 Sunday mornings: 10:00 children's Sunday School (1st & 3rd Sun) 11:00-Worship, 12:00-Fellowship WELCA meets the 1st Wednesday of the month @ 9:30 Pastor Mark Wagner

If you are interested in writing this Jacobson page, call Ginny Ekstrand 218-752-1111 Training available



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	NO SCHOOL	3 Oatmeal,Cereal, Graham Cracker, Trix Yogurt	4 Mini Cinnamon Bagel, Cereal, Graham Cracker	5 Oatmeal, Cereal, Graham Cracker Cheese Stick	6 Cinnamon Roll Cereal, Graham Cracker	
8	9 Muffin, Cereal, Graham Cracker	10 Oatmeal,Cereal, Graham Cracker, Cheese Stick	11 Apple Frudel, Cereal, Graham Cracker	12 Oatmeal, Cereal, Graham Cracker, Trix Yogurt	13 Cinnamon Roll Cereal, Graham Cracker	¹⁴ Fruit, Juice and Milk served Dail
15	16 Muffin, Cereal, Graham Cracker	17 Oatmeal,Cereal, Graham Cracker, Trix Yogurt	18 Breakfast Pizza, Cereal, Graham Cracker	19 Oatmeal, Cereal, Graham Cracker Cheese Stick	20 Cinnamon Roll Cereal, Graham Cracker	21
22	23 Muffin, Cereal, Graham Cracker	24 Oatmeal,Cereal, Graham Cracker, Cheese Stick	25 French Toast Stix, Cereal, Graham Cracker	26 Oatmeal, Cereal, Graham Cracker Trix Yogurt	27 Cinnamon Roll Cereal, Graham Cracker	28
29	30 Muffin, Cereal,					Menu subjec to change at
	Graham Cracker					anytime
	Graham Cracker			ch Men		anytime 2018
Offer-vs-Serve Build a healthy Meal. Select a full or 1/2 serving of	Graham Cracker	ISD # Tuesday 3 Pepperoni Pizza, Mixed Veggies	#2 Lune Wednesday 4 Chicken Strips, Tater Tots, Peas, Roll	Ch Men Thursday 5 Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potato, Green Beans, Roll	6 Chicken Noodle Soup, Turkey Ham Sandwich, Salad Bar	anytime
Build a healthy Meal. Select a full	2	Tuesday 3 Pepperoni Pizza,	Wednesday 4 Chicken Strips, Tater Tots,	Thursday 5 Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potato, Green Beans,	Friday 6 Chicken Noodle Soup, Turkey Ham Sandwich,	anytime 2018 Saturday
Build a healthy Meal. Select a full or 1/2 serving of fruit or veggie & a minimum of 2 other full meal	2 NO SCHOOL 9 Shrimp Poppers, Coleslaw,	Tuesday 3 Pepperoni Pizza, Mixed Veggies 10 Quesadilla with Fixings,	Wednesday 4 Chicken Strips, Tater Tots, Peas, Roll 11 Chicken Taco Soup, Tortilla	Thursday 5 Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potato, Green Beans, Roll 12 Rotini Chicken Pasta, Salad, Peas,	Friday 6 Chicken Noodle Soup, Turkey Ham Sandwich, Salad Bar 13 Cheese Burger on a Bun, Tater Tots,	anytime 2018 Saturday 7 Fruit & Milk Served Daily with
Build a healthy Meal. Select a full or 1/2 serving of Truit or veggie & a minimum of 2 other full meal components. 5 meal compo- nents are offered laily. Students	2 NO SCHOOL 9 Shrimp Poppers, Coleslaw, Rice, Roll 16 Chicken Nuggets Rice Pilaf,	Tuesday 3 Pepperoni Pizza, Mixed Veggies 10 Quesadilla with Fixings, Corn 17 Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Goldfish Crackers,	Wednesday 4 Chicken Strips, Tater Tots, Peas, Roll 11 Chicken Taco Soup, Tortilla Chips, Salad Bar 18 Stuffed Crust Pizza, Salad Bar,	Thursday 5 Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potato, Green Beans, Roll 12 Rotini Chicken Pasta, Salad, Peas, Garlic Bread 19 FARM2SCHOOL Smoked Ham	Friday 6 Chicken Noodle Soup, Turkey Ham Sandwich, Salad Bar 13 Cheese Burger on a Bun, Tater Tots, Beans 20 BBQ Pork on a Bun, Potato Salad,	anytime 2018 Saturday 7 Fruit & Milk Served Daily with Lunch

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
All games are subject to change at any time	2	3 SB vs PR-Backus A & JH AWAY 4:30	4 OPEN GYM Volleyball 7-9	5 SB vs LFBF A & JH HOME 4:30 BB vs McGregor A & JH HOME	6	7
8 OPEN GYM Basketball 6-8	9 BB vs LaPorte A & JH AWAY 4:30	10 SB vs Isle A & JH AWAY 4:30 BB vs LFBF A & JH AWAY	11 OPEN GYM Volleyball 7-9	12 BB vs PR-Backus A & JH AWAY 4:30	13	14
15 OPEN GYM Basketball 6-8	16 BB vs Nevis A & JH AWAY 4:30	17 SB vs Nashwauk A & JH AWAY 4:30	18 OPEN GYM Volleyball 7-9	19 SB vs Cromwell A & JH AWAY 4:30	20 SB vs Menagha A & JH HOME 4:30 BB vs Nevis A only AWAY 4:30	21 BB Tourney A only AWAY
22 OPEN GYM Basketball 6-8	23 SB vs Ogilvie A & JH HOME 4:30 BB vs Ogilvie A & JH HOME 4:30	24 BB vs Nashwauk A & JH HOME 4:00	25 OPEN GYM Volleyball 7-9	26 SB vs LaPorte JH HOME 4:30	27	28 V SB Tourney 11:00 HOME V BB Tourney 10:00 Deer River JH BB Tourney 10:00 Nashwauk
29 OPEN GYM Basketball 6-8	30 BB vs Isle A & JH HOME 4:30		Baseball Practice Schedule & field info (Hill City or Northland) also available on website	>	This information and more is also available on our Website : isd002.org	ACTIVITIES CALENDAR