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## West Islip Public Schools

Bernadette M. Burns  
Superintendent of Schools

James Bosse  
Director of Buildings and Grounds

### **Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting**

Date: March 31, 2020  
Time: 7:45 p.m.  
Location: District Office Board Room

Members in attendance: A. LaRosa, R. Maginniss, P. Michaluk, B. Burns, E. Pellati, J. Bosse  
Others in attendance: R. Antoniello, T. Compitello, S. Gellar, P. McCann

*Shutdown due to COVID-19:* Mr. Bosse explained actions taken due to the closure of all school buildings. A custodian performs a building check daily to ensure that all mechanical systems are performing correctly, and other tasks, such as payroll, are addressed. Mail is picked up and delivered twice weekly.

*Bond Update:* Mr. Bosse gave an update as to the status of Phase 4B and Phase 5 bond projects. Despite the school closures, the bidding process will commence shortly, and will likely be conducted in a virtual manner so that work can begin as soon as schools are reopened. Due to the Executive Orders relating to COVID-19, there are limitations to the type of construction work that can be done, so there may be a delay in the start of some projects.

*PV Solar Project:* A financial evaluation was provided to the Board by The ECG Group comparing the strengths and weaknesses of the final two proposals for the PV solar project – Johnson Controls and Noresco. Mr. Bosse conducted a reference check, and both companies are highly regarded. The committee discussed the proposals and requested that Mr. Bosse contact Noresco with questions about how contingencies were to be handled within their proposal.

*Fire Code Compliance Inspections:* Fire code compliance inspections were postponed due to the closures related to COVID-19. An extension was submitted by the district and accepted by NYSED. Inspections will proceed when the Suffolk County fire marshal is available.

*Donation:* A tent donated by VJ Entertainment (Vin Luvera) was set up in the high school parking lot to facilitate the distribution of meals to eligible families in accordance with one of the recent Executive Orders.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.