

**GARDNER SCHOOL COMMITTEE**  
**Special Meeting – May 24, 2021**  
**In Person Meeting, beginning at Dunn Park Parking Lot and continuing to**  
**the Site of the Gardner Elementary School**

Members present: Mayor Michael Nicholson, Chairperson; Jennifer Pelavin, Vice Chairperson; Rachel Cormier, Secretary; James Abare, Anne Hurst, John LaFreniere.

School Personnel present:

Dr. Mark J. Pellegrino, Superintendent, Catherine Goguen, Chief Academic Officer and Interim Business Administrator, Joyce West, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Dave Fredette, Principal of Elm Street School, Earl Martin, Principal of Waterford Street School, Steven Lafountain, Assistant Principal

**Call to Order**

Mayor Nicholson, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm. It was noted that all members of the school committee were present except Robert Swartz and Rachel Cormier. Mrs. Cormier joined the meeting at 5:05pm.

**SITE VISIT**

Mayor Nicholson introduced Timothy Alix and Matthew Dunn from Colliers International as the representatives that would be leading the group through the site visit at the new school building. Mayor Nicholson noted and thanked the members of the school department for joining on the site visit. He also recognized and thanked Alek Dernalowicz, Ward 5 City Councillor, for attending the meeting and site visit.

Mr. Alix explained what was happening on site currently regarding construction and Mr. Dunn noted he had blueprints with him to show the design and lay out.

Following the introductions and discussion Mayor Nicholson led the group to the site of the Gardner Elementary School. During the site visit, the current construction was viewed. Building A and C are currently being worked on with steel being erected for Building A. Foundation work was being done on Building C. The road is being worked on with a culvert installed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**Mrs. Pelavin moved to adjourn.**

**Seconded by Mrs. Hurst.**

**All members present in favor.**

**Mayor Nicholson abstained from voting.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

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Rachel A. Cormier, Secretary