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managed to raise \$31,000. Athletes and parents asked for the district's help, also stating that tickets to games and concessions could supply revenue, and savings on water use would be considerable.

Geothermal system progress

Later in the meeting, Executive Director of Operations and Development Chris Coulter reported on progress in completing the geothermal system at Palmer Ridge. The original installation failed, resulting in a lawsuit by the district against the provider of the system. PVC pipes in the system had corroded at the joints and leaked, making the system untenable, according to the district.

Work so far has included revising the bore field for the system. Several of the original bores could not be found. The bore field is now complete.

Phase two involves replacing the 6-inch PVC pipes with 6-inch steel pipes which would be less susceptible to damage by the water/glycol mixture which will pass through them. In addition, replacement of a 100 horsepower pump with several smaller ones will make the system more efficient.

The estimated cost of the second phase and the bore field will be \$2.55 million. Coulter estimated that the savings in maintenance and utilities would repay the district's investment over about nine years, and the system should be viable for much longer.

Board President Chris Taylor complimented Coulter on his work, pointing out that a year ago the estimated cost of the work was \$4.55 million. Between the revenue from the lawsuit and previously committed funds, about \$1.6 million has already been committed in this year's budget.

Later in the meeting, following an analysis of the district's budget, it was determined that the district

could afford to pay for phase two out of the general fund.

Board Director Matthew Clawson and board Secretary Tiffney Upchurch said they would prefer to put the question before the public in advance of a vote. Taylor pointed out that the project has been discussed in public meetings over the past several months.

Taylor proposed a motion to complete the geothermal project with up to \$1 million from the general fund. The motion passed with Clawson and Upchurch voting nay.

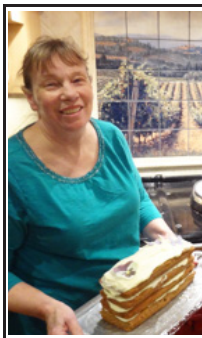
Taylor then told Coulter to proceed with the project with the intent to complete it by August.

Budget update

Chief Financial Officer Kitte Overton presented a summary of the proposed 2022-23 budget. The budget must be finalized by the end of June.

Overton estimated that if there are 6,414 full-time equivalent students in 2022-23 (including Monument Academy), the district may expect to receive \$9,043 per pupil operating revenue (PPOR) in 2022-23, or \$583 more per pupil than this year. This will result in around \$3 million more than received this year.

The expenditures for this school year have been less

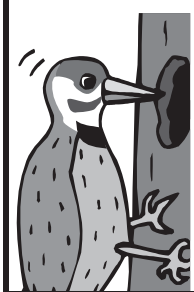
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than anticipated, leaving a considerable amount available going into 2022-23. (In response to this finding, the board later voted to devote up to \$1 million to comple-

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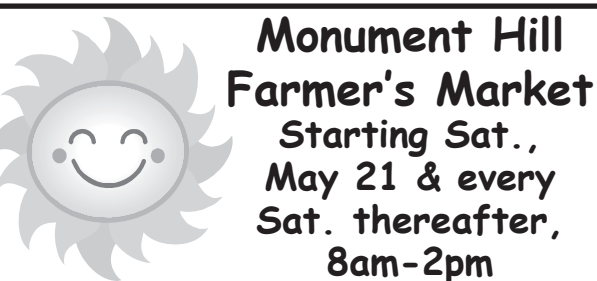
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