Regular Meeting  
Chatfield-LoPresti School  
Building Committee  
Monday, August 8, 2011  
Town Hall  
7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Smith, Ray Catlin, Gene Coppola, Bruce Baker, Paul Mirabelle, Saundra Gesek, Trisha Danka, Peter Kubik, Jay Hatfield, Michael Marcinek, Kurt Miller

Absent: Phyllis Jachimowski, Yashu Putorti

Fusco Corporation Representatives: Jeff Luzzi, Bryan D’Orlando
Silver-Petrucelli Representative: Ken Sgrobi
Strategic Building Solutions Representative: Robert Schlitter
Board of Education Representatives: Richard Belden, David Olechna, Leslie Sojka, Wayne Natzel

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. He asked for any public comment and none was forthcoming at this meeting session.

Approval of Minutes of the 7/27/11 Meeting Session

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mr. Catlin) to accept the minutes of the July 27, 2011 meeting session as presented.

Mr. Smith offered the following corrections: Gene Coppola and Paul Mirabelle should have been listed as absentees; and on page 4, the motion was to add fire watch to the agenda and approved as presented.

So moved with corrections noted.

Affirmative: Mr. Smith, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Miller
Correspondence

Several items of correspondence had been received which included:

1.) A letter from the Fusco Corporation, dated July 19, 2011, stating that the corporation was resubmitting Change Order #1.
2.) A letter from the Department of Construction Services, dated July 25, 2011, stating that some items in the design plans need to be addressed. It primarily dealt with roof plans. The biggest issue is that reviewers are looking at square footage differently. As a result, the community could be looking at a 2.5% loss in State reimbursement. This issue is being clarified with the Bureau of School Facilities through Mr. Belden with input from the design team.
3.) A copy of a communication from the Giordano Company asking for an increase in bituminous concrete due to the increase in oil prices.
4.) A copy of the Fusco Corporation’s response to the Giordano Company denying its request as Giordano was already under contract prior to the increase in oil prices.
5.) A communication from the Bureau of School Facilities informing Superintendent MaryAnn Mascolo that the Technology Plan has been reviewed and accepted by the Bureau and that it may be put out for bid. Bids were published in the news media on August 7, 2011.

Discussion with Construction Manager

Bryan D’Orlando distributed copies of the monthly report prepared by Fusco Corporation representatives. It included: an executive summary, a two-week look-ahead; the project schedule; a cost summary report; and an allowance summary.

Jeff Luzzi reported that sidewalks have been paved and more paving will take place on Monday, August 15, 2011. He also stated that between one hundred and one hundred twenty-five workers are on the site daily.

A crane will be on site on Monday, August 15, 2011 for the placement of fifty-five pieces of steel over the old courtyard area. This will be the school’s new media center when completed.

Mr. Luzzi reviewed change order requests which included the following:

1.) COR #096 involving alternate pipe routes to avoid steel and shear wall in the C Wing at a cost of $7,736.00.

2.) COR #097 – a credit of $421.00 due to the change in sill type for windows in the C Wing.

3.) COR #099.1 – permission to have authorized the Giordano Company to work one day extra in June and, when needed, through the month of July, 2011 at a cost of $4020.00.
4.) COR #100 – for authorized overtime for Marguerite in July and August at a cost of $2,075.00.

5.) COR #101 – for electrical work done by the Ducci Company on July 16, 23, and 30 at a cost of $1,014.00.

The following motions were made:

MOTION: (Mr. Catlin, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to accept CO#097 and add $421.00 to the project’s contingency fund.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Catlin, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Miller, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Miller) to accept change order requests #099.1, #100, and #101 to be funded from the construction contingency fund.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Miller, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

Mr. Smith discussed Amendment #6 submitted by the Fusco Corporation dealing with Change Orders #76, #77, #79, #82, #83, #85, #86, and #87 amounting to a total of $4,568.00. He asked for a motion accepting the amendment as presented.

MOTION: (Mr. Hatfield, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to approve Amendment #6 as presented.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Miller, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.
Discussion with Architect

Mr. Sgrobati reported that all was progressing on schedule. Seventeen drawings have been sent out for bid and the playground construction documents will be finished by the end of this week.

Strategic Building Solutions representative, Robert Schlitter reported that design plans called for ductwork to be tied to the steel in the ceiling area. Consequently, the ductwork has been attached right up to the steel I-beam. As a result, no insulation can be wrapped around the ductwork.

Mr. Luzzi responded that when he was made aware of the situation, the ductwork was lowered and the insulation applied and then reinstalled right up to the I-beam with the insulation in place.

Mr Schlitter stated that this reinstallation should resolve the situation.

A mechanical update was given informing the Committee members that SBS representatives are pleased with construction to date. They are on site every other week to review well-pressure tests and other issues. The well-pressure tests are satisfactory. Hydrogenics testing will be conducted later on during the month once the manifolds are in place.

Mr. Baker inquired if fans would be ready for operation for the opening of the new school year. He was informed that they would be.

Review of Budget

A more thorough review of the budget’s status will take place at the next meeting session. As of this date, the budget is in line with the spending plan and in good shape. The only area of concern is the special inspections line item which may need a transfer of funding from the contingency fund due to the testing that has taken place at the site to date. A $57,000 amount had been budgeted for this purpose.

Invoices

The following actions were taken on invoices submitted for this meeting session:

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mr. Catlin) to approve payment of Invoice #11-883 from Silver-Petrucelli in the amount of $17,582.01 for design work done to date.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Miller, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.
As there were some questions in need of clarification, the following motion was made on an invoice submitted by Hygienics in the amount of $41,056.00:

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mrs. Danka,) to table action on Invoice #33082 submitted by Hygienics in the amount of $41,056.00.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mrs. Danka, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Miller, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Catlin, sec., Mr. Baker) to approve payment of Application #13 from the Fusco Corporation in the amount of $2,917,993.16 for work completed through July 31, 2011.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Miller, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smithi

Opposed: None.

Other Business

The next Committee meeting dates have been scheduled for August 24, 2011 at the Town Hall and September 12, 2011 at the Chatfield School. Walk throughs are conducted at the building site every Saturday morning at 8:30 a.m.

There will be a special meeting scheduled for September 6, 2011, at 6:00 p.m., at the Town Hall dealing with the IT bid.

Meet the Teachers nights have been scheduled at the Chatfield School for Monday, September 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. and Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at the LoPresti School at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Smith requested that all Committee members attend the Meet the Teachers program planned for the Chatfield School on September 12, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Smith reported that he had met with Fire Marshal Paul Wetowitz, First Selectman Paul Roy, Town Counsel, and Tony Caserta from the Town’s Finance Office this past week and all issues related to the Fire Watch have been clarified and resolved.
Hearing nothing further:

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to adjourn the meeting.

So moved.

Affirmative; Mr. Baker, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Mirabelle, Mr. Miller, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Submitted by:

Eugene Coppola