Regular Meeting  
Chatfield-LoPresti School Building Committee  
Wednesday, April 28, 2010  
Chatfield School’s Teachers’ Room  
7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Smith, Peter Kubik, Yashu Putorti, Trisha Danka, Saundra Gesek, Jay Hatfield, Bruce Baker, Ray Catlin, Gene Coppola

Absent: Phyllis Jachimowski, Kurt Miller, Michael Marcinek

Silver-Petrucelli Firm’s Representatives: Dean Petrucelli, David Stein

Fusco Construction Representatives: Brian Calvert, Joseph Merhill

Strategic Building Solutions Representatives: Frank Baldino, Bob Schilitter

Industrial Health & Safety Representative: William Rath

Board of Education Representatives: Richard Belden, Wayne Natzel

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m. and led those present in the pledge to the flag.

Public Comment

There was no public comment made at this meeting session.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Smith called for a motion approving the minutes of the April 13, 2010 meeting session.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mr. Catlin) to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2010 meeting session as presented.

Mr. Putorti offered one correction on page five: sentence three in the first paragraph on that page should have read, “One test boring was done and it was determined that one hundred thirty-two wells would be needed for the geo-thermal system.”

So moved with correction noted.
Affirmative: Mr. Putorti, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Danka, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Mr. Hatfield

Correspondence

There was no correspondence received since the Committee’s last meeting session.

Discussion with Industrial Hygienist

Mr. Rath reported that the lab testing reports were received and showed that there are PCBs in the asphalt strip around the perimeter of the building. One positive aspect of the report showed that no PCBs were found in the brick work around the windows. All of this information was incorporated in a plan which will be submitted to the EPA by the end of next week. It is estimated that $275,000 will be needed for the planned abatement project.

Mr. Rath stated that an invoice had been submitted to Mr. Belden’s office for services rendered to date for the Committee’s action at this evening’s meeting session.

Mr. Rath left the meeting session at the conclusion of his report at 7:19 p.m.

Discussion with Commissioning Agent

Mr. Baldino reported that all work done to date seems to be on track with the project’s scheduling. Design review has taken place and close contact has been kept with representatives from the Silver-Petrucelli Firm. The commissioning plan is in the process of being finalized.

Mr. Baldino introduced Robert Schlitter who will be serving as project manager during the construction process.

Discussion with Architect

Mr. Stein mentioned that the items mentioned by Strategic Building Solutions personnel in the review of the ninety-five percent completed plans have been easily addressed by members of his firm. He distributed a copy of the comments made by Strategic Building Solutions’ personnel for the Committee membership’s perusal.

Mr. Stein stated that the firm is still waiting the results of the reviews of the ninety-five percent completed plans. He assured the membership that the final documents would be ready to get to the State Department by July 19, 2010.
Mr. Petrucelli added that basically the firm is in a holding pattern due to the date set for the plan review by State Department officials. He also mentioned that an alternative boring site is being looked at instead of using part of the parking lot area for the well settings.

Discussion with Construction Manager

Mr. Calvert stated his firm’s personnel were currently in the same holding pattern pending the results of the ninety-five percent completion plans review. On a positive note, the project manager assigned to the building project has just completed his assignment with the New Haven Public Schools and will be ready to assume responsibilities on overseeing the planned project.

Mr. Baker inquired if any plans had been finalized regarding the movement of the playground equipment to a new site.

Mr. Smith responded that he had been informed that the equipment would be moved to French Memorial Park by the town’s Public Works Department personnel.

Mr. Smith also reported that he had spoken with the Fire Marshal and local building inspector regarding their conducting of local reviews. He was told that the review is in process.

Review of Project Schedule

The project is on schedule and all are anxiously awaiting the results of the State Department’s review which is scheduled for July 19, 2010.

Review of Project Budget

There were no changes noted since the last report made at the April 13, 2010 meeting session.

Approval of Invoices

There were four invoices submitted for action at this meeting session.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mrs. Danka) to approve payment of Invoice #5989 from Strategic Building Solutions, dated February 22, 2010, in the amount of $3402 for services rendered in compiling the commissioning specs.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Putorti, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola
Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Putorti) to approve payment of Invoice, Application #3 from the Fusco Construction in the amount of $20,000 for pre-construction management duties through April 30, 2010.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mrs. Danka, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Kubik, sec., Mr. Catlin) to approve Invoice #10-051 from Industrial Health & Safety in the amount of $1,162.50 for work done on asbestos inspections and abatement plans and specs.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Kubik, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Smith, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Hatfield, sec., Mr. Putorti) to approve Invoice #10-050 from Industrial Health & Safety in the amount of $1,820.00 for work done on the PCB self implementing On-Site Clean Up Plan.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Putorti, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola

Opposed: None.

Other Business

Mr. Smith mentioned that the RFP for building code review is due May 11, 2010 and is currently in process of being formulated.

Mr. Smith also mentioned that he was in attendance at the Inland-Wetlands Commission’s meeting on April 27, 2010 and approval for the project was granted.
The Building Committee’s next meeting dates have been set for May 11, 2010 and May 26, 2010.

Mr. Belden added that the Board of Education has signed off for the construction of a gas main to the school building.

Mr. Hatfield stated that he had read that a school construction site in the state of Kansas was planning to recycle rain water as part of its “building green” programming and wondered if any consideration had been given to do likewise in the Chatfield building project.

He was informed that it would not be necessary at the Seymour site as recycled rain was primarily used for irrigation purposes and none would be needed as asphalt would be surrounding the building at the completion of the project.

Mr. Stein reminded the Committee membership that the highest standards would be adhered to in planning the building project meeting the stringent requirements mandated by the state.

Ms. Gesek stated that she and Mrs. Jachimowski had visited the Bungay School to view the carpeting installed in Room Seven. She expressed concern that it was difficult to move the desks on this type of flooring. It was stated that the desks may not slide as easily on the carpeted surface and lifting may be necessary when moving the classroom furniture.

Mr. Putorti inquired as to the status of the FFE planning.

Mr. Stein responded that within the next month, plans for the FFE should be placed on the schedule. He added, when the FFE plan is in place, another date will have be scheduled with the State Department for its personnel’s review. Mr. Smith inquired if that date should be established as soon as possible due to the backlog of work at the state level.

Mr. Belden stated that he would contact the Schools Facilities Unit and set up an appointment date for the review of the FFE plan.

Hearing nothing further:

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Putorti) to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

So moved.

Affirmative; Mrs. Danka, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola

Opposed: None. Submitted by: Eugene Coppola