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Seymour High School Athletic Field Committee Meeting
Thursday October 13, 2015 @ 6:00 p.m. Seymour High School Athletic Complex

Members Present: Sean Walsh, Tim Sadick, Nicole Klarides-Ditria (7:06), Jay Hatfield, Paul Roy, Jamie Yakusheiwich

Members Not Present: Ed Strumello, Theresa Conroy, Jack Liedke

Others Present: Jim Galligan, Nafis & Young, Bill Aniskovich, WBA Group, Rick Belden, Asst. Superintendent of Schools, Tom Lennon, John Johnson

ITEM #1: Call meeting to order.
Jay Hatfield called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

ITEM #2: Pledge of Allegiance
Everyone saluted the flag and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3: Public Comment
A Call was made for public comment.

Public comment was then closed

ITEM #4: Chairperson's comments
Chairperson's comments will be held until her arrival to the meeting.

ITEM #5: Approve minutes from September 30, 2015 meeting.
There were a few changes to the minutes but they will be sent out for the next meeting.

Item number five is closed.

ITEM#6: Review and approve invoices from project engineer
The invoices were not sent in advance because they were not complete.

The first invoice is for Application for Payment #3 from Dant Clayton for $340,783.05

Sean Walsh asked if Jim Baldwin was happy with the bleachers. Mr. Galligan stated that he has not done his handicap inspection on them but the committee does still have retainage. Once Jim signs off on it a Certificate of Completion will be issued. Mr. Galligan insisted that everyone look over every inch of the property, and if anyone sees something they want fixed to put it on the punch list and email it to Nafis and Young.
Nicole Klarides-Ditria asked when Mr. Galligan anticipated Jim Baldwin signing of on the bleachers. Mr. Galligan stated that Jim Baldwin would come to the field once the railings are up which are supposed to be going up the following day. Nicole Klarides-Ditria asked if Mr. Galligan knew if Mr. Baldwin signed off on the visitor bleachers yet. Mr. Galligan stated that he has not because they haven’t done the work. Tom Lennon pointed out that there was actually fencing on the top of the visitor bleachers.

The second invoice is for Nafis and Young in the amount of $7,200.00, Invoice Number 302-15.

Motion to approve and pay invoice Payment 3 to Dant Clayton in the amount of $340,783.05.

Sean Walsh asked if the holdback was substantial enough to cover whatever isn’t adequate if the building inspector hasn’t approved it. Mr. Galligan confirmed that it was.

Motion: Jay Hatfield Second: Jamie Yakushewicz
Vote: 6- Yes 0- No

Motion to approve and pay Invoice Number 302-15 to Nafis and Young in the amount of $7,200.00.

Jay Hatfield confirmed that there would be $3,600.00 outstanding after payment of this invoice.

Motion: Jay Hatfield, Second: Jamie Yakushewicz
Vote: 6- Yes, 0- -No

Item number six was then closed.

ITEM#7 Discussion with Project Engineer Jim Galligan

There are a few things to discuss.

The goal post pads have been ordered. The needed to be ordered quickly in order to get them delivered. They will not be delivered until October 22. Mr. Galligan stated he bought the pad with his credit card. The cost of the goal post pads is $1,025.00, which will be absorbed by the committee. The old pads will be used for games until the new ones are delivered.

The second item was the wheel kit, which is $550.00. It was purchased for the soccer goals through Blanchettes. They are in and waiting to be installed.

The next item is the benches. There are three options. There is a 27-foot bench, 21-foot bench, or 15-foot bench. On average you divide the length by two and that is how many people will sit at it. The 15-foot bench is $540.00 plus shipping, the 21-foot bench is $700 plus shipping, the 27-foot bench is $770.00 plus shipping.
Sean Walsh asked how much the 27-foot bench weighs. Mr. Galligan responded that it was made out of aluminum and he has no idea. Sean Walsh asked if it was within a weight limit that is practical for two people to move. John Johnson believes it would be.

Mr. Lennon asked Mr. Perucci what he wanted and he said they generally sit at least 13 kids and to go with the larger 27 foot bench. Two benches would be needed, one for home team and one for away team. John Johnson suggested getting the larger bench for the home team and a smaller bench for the visiting team. Sean Walsh confirmed that the bleachers met whatever field turf required for footage per square inch on set down. Mr. Galligan said they are set up for either natural grass or for turf.

Motion to purchase two 27-foot benches at the cost of $770.00 each, total $1,540.00 plus shipping.

Motion: Jay Hatfield, Second: Sean Walsh
Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No.

The next item for discussion were the track mats. Mr. Galligan received a quote for a 14x30 foot mat for $1,020.00. A 7x30 foot mat is $790.00, inclusive of shipping.

Nicole Klarides-Ditria asked what size was really needed. Jamie Yakusheewich stated that the he grabbed the extra turf and put it in a storage bin. He stated that Oxford simply uses that on their field.

Mr. Lennon said two would be needed, one for each team to walk across the track. Jay Hatfield asked about the ones the school currently has. Mr. Lennon said they have some but they are ripped up.

Sean Walsh asked if the mats were needed to drive the machine over. Mr. Galligan stated he believes the machine can be driven over the track. The mats are for cleats more than anything. Sean Walsh asked if the turf provided the protected needed because it has a thin base.

Motion to approve for purchase the two 14x30 foot mats ordered through Blanchettes in the amount of $2040.00.

Motion by Jay Hatfield, Second by Paul Roy
Vote: 6-Yes, 0-No.

The next item Mr. Galligan has to discuss is the Certificate of Substantial Completion. The bleachers, turf, track and site guys all have to receive this before the school can play a game on the field. Mr. Galligan needs to issue this to them before the game on Friday night. Mr. Galligan has them all drawn up so that that project gets turned over to the committee at noon on Friday. Tim Sadick asked if it could be moved up to Thursday so the team could practice on the filed before the game. Mr. Galligan stated he could.

Mr. Galligan stated the site contractor still has to put up the handicap rails and fix a section of pavement that he couldn’t complete due to rain. Earthworks is scheduled to be at the field tomorrow to install the rails.
As far as punch lists for the site, Mr. Galligan acknowledged the gate needs to be repaired, the light posts and things like that. Mr. Galligan will be punch listing the field out over the next few days. He stated that if anyone sees something that needs to be repaired let his office know.

**ITEM #8 Discussion and take possible action on visitor bleachers.**

The Board of Ed has graciously agreed to pay for the fencing around the bleachers, which will be done for the game on Friday. Franklin Fencing was used.

Item number 8 was then closed.

**ITEM #9 Discussion and take possible action on fencing for discus.**

John Johnson stated the sleeves have to be put in. Nicole Klarides-Ditria asked about an issue finding the sleeves. Mr. Johnson stated he believed that when they were taken out they were thrown out. He stated they do have the netting and the pole but the sleeve got thrown out. Jay Hatfield asked how much the sleeve would approximately cost. Tim Sadick feels it would be a nominal charge as it is simply plastic piping. Nicole Klarides-Ditria asked where that comes from. Mr. Galligan stated you could get it at Oxford Lumber and Building Materials. Mr. Hatfield asked if Public Works would be installing it. Mr. Johnson said if they were given the specs they would be able to do it. Mr. Galligan said if the specs are given to him he will mark it out and Public Works will install in the spring.

Sean Walsh asked about the discs that were installed were filled with water the last time he was at the field. He asked if a 3/8 hold could be punched through the concrete. John Johnson said that could be done but would find out how the water would be maintained on that. Mr. Aniskovich stated that a hole is usually drilled.

Mr. Galligan stated that he met with Mark from Earthworks regarding the millings up top. They will install a 5-foot sidewalk of millings behind the bleachers. To the left side of the press box they will put millings on the entire surface. That will be started tomorrow.

**ITEM #10 Discussion and take possible action on bleachers.**

Tim Sadick asked about the millings up at the top of the bleachers. Mr. Galligan said he would just have them go up there and put them in. Sean Walsh will make the call and organize the millings to be delivered. Mr. Galligan said to make sure they bring millings and not reclaimed material. Sean Walsh will coordinate with Mr. Galligan with what he needs.

Sean Walsh asked about the curtain drain up top and if material could be pushed back or take some out around where the telephone poll is to make for some parking. Right now if one person comes down and parks you cannot get around them.

**ITEM #11 Discussion and take possible action on pads for goal posts.**
This was already discussed and they will be shipped on October 22.

**ITEM#12 Discussion and take possible action on use of remaining funds.**

Nicoel Klarides-Ditria asked Mr. Galligan if any excavation will need to be done up top or if any drains will need to be installed. He stated there are no drains being proposed now. The water will drain back toward the under-drain and some will drain down toward the bleachers and then down past the second light. He has not received a price from Earthworks as to what it will take to do all that.

Nicoel Klarides-Ditria stated that the remaining funds after everything is done the remaining funds left would be around $6,000 to $7,000.

Nicoel Klarides-Ditria asked the committee if anyone had any additional thoughts on the remaining funds. Sean Walsh mentioned the sidewalk and stairs to the right. He spoke with Connecticut Precast and it should not be a substantial cost. He stated the most expensive one was $1,500.00. The area needs to be measured to determine the height and the rise. They will also need to determine what will be needed for wood and guardrail. Sean Walsh doesn’t think the committee should get too crazy with the rest of the money because they do not have a big buffer and still have an outstanding quote coming in from Earthworks. Nicoel Klarides-Ditria suggested getting all the numbers and getting specs and revisit the idea in the spring.

**ITEM#13 Public comment**

Rick Belden stated the First Selectman’s office called him looking for some guidance on how to structure the ceremony for Friday’s game. He told Rory that it was tentatively scheduled for 6:45pm and that a ribbon and scissors would be needed. He would like to know who should be invited other than the First Selectman, Theresa Conroy, Board of Education and committee members. He asked where it should take place.

Nicoel Klarides-Ditria asked if should be done on the field, in the press box, etc. She doesn’t want it to be a big thing, just a quick ceremony to thank everybody and then open the field.

Jim Galligan suggested setting up right in front of the crowd and stretch the ribbon across. Bill Jarvis is making sure the sound system is working. He suggested having committee members hold the ribbon.

Rick Belden said he would have a wireless mic set up for the audio. Regarding the lights out in the two poles, they are not being fixed. There are a total of three lights out. They are not repairable.

Nicoel Klarides-Ditria suggested having the football team run in after the ribbon gets cut. Jamie Yakushewich said that is about 6:52pm.

Jay Hatfield suggested invited the soccer players. Nicoel Klarides-Ditria stated all the teams will be invited. Jay Hatfield suggested getting the team captains of the soccer team to hold the ribbons. John Johnson suggested keeping it to fall sports to keep it from getting crazy.
Rick Belden suggested using that as an opportunity for photos as well. Mr. Aniskovich suggested setting up behind the Wildcats sign so that it can be seen in front.

John Johnson asked if Jim Galligan found out what happened to the covers for the sand pits. Mr. Aniskovich believes that Dalton took them to coat them.

There was no public comment.

ITEM#14 Committee Member Comments

Jay Hatfield: No comment
Jamie Yakushewich: He's heard nothing but good things about the track, field and bleachers.
Sean Walsh: No comment
Tim Sadick: No comment
Nicole Klarides-Ditria: There should be maybe one or two more meetings and everyone has done a great job. She can't say enough how perfect the committee was because everyone brought something very particular to help the project go through. If anyone were lost it would not have gone as 'smoothly' as it has.
Paul Roy: No comment

ITEM #15: Adjournment
A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 p.m.
Motion: Jay Hatfield Second: Jamie Yakushewich
Vote: 6–Yes 0 No 0–Abstain

Respectfully Submitted, Angela Chernesky