

Regular Meeting
Chatfield-LoPresti School
Building Committee
Wednesday, August 25, 2010
Chatfield School Teachers' Room
7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Smith, Peter Kubik, Trisha Danko, Sandra Gesek, Phyllis Jachimowski, Bruce Baker, Ray Catlin, Michael Marcinek, Gene Coppola, Yashu Putorti

Absent: Jay Hatfield, Kurt Miller, Paul Mirabile

Fusco Construction Representatives:

Brian Calvert
Joseph Merhill
Bruce Legen (Project Superintendent)

Silver-Petrucelli Representative:

David Stein

Industrial Health & Safety Representative:

William Rath

Board of Education Representatives:

Superintendent MaryAnn Mascolo
Richard Belden
Edward Strumello
David Olechna
Leslie Sojka

Others:

Frank Soberal
Irene Arias
Aedan Arias
Claudia Arias

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. and led those present in the pledge to the flag. He asked for any public comment.

Irene Arias inquired as to the abatement issues in the school construction program and if they could possibly have any effect on her child's asthmatic condition. As the representative from Industrial Health & Safety was present, Mr. Rath assured her that all abatement activities would not take place while school was in session.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Smith called for acceptance of the minutes of the August 3, 2010 meeting session.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Catlin) to accept the minutes of the August 3, 2010 meeting session as presented.

There were three corrections: Second paragraph, page 3, "50 parts per million"
Spelling of "Hygienix"
Page 3 – Should have read "builders' risk insurance"

So moved with corrections noted.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Baker, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Putorti

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Mrs. Danka

Mr. Smith asked for acceptance of the August 24, 2010 special meeting minutes.

MOTION: (Mrs. Danka, sec., Mr. Baker) to approve the minutes of the special meeting of August 24, 2010 as presented.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Smith, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mrs. Danka

Opposed: None

Abstentions: Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Kubik, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Marcinek

Correspondence

Mr. Smith reported that two items of correspondence had been received. One was from Pierz Associates indicating his firm's review of all code requirements and finding that all was in compliance with necessary code regulations. The other involved the legal ad that was found in this past Sunday's newspaper.

Discussion with Industrial Hygienist

Mr. Rath reported that the outreach plan formulated by his firm with the Committee's input had been approved by the EPA. He also mentioned that during the formulation of the abatement plan, the firm of Fuss and O'Neill, responsible for on-site testing for abatement materials, had incurred expenses above what had been allocated for this service. They were seeking an additional \$4126.25 for testing work done.

Mr. Smith asked for a motion approving this amount. Discussion ensued and Mrs. Danka felt that this amount could possibly be lowered as this firm could now use its devised plan as a template for all other necessary PCB abatement projects. After further discussion, the following motion was made:

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mr. Catlin) to approve payment in the amount of \$4126.25 to Fuss and O'Neill Associates for environmental testing costs.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Putorti, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Baker

Opposed: Mr. Marcinek, Mrs. Danka, Ms. Gesek

Ms. Mascolo and Mr. Strumello left the meeting session at 7:32 p.m.

Mr. Rath stated that some invoices from his firm had been submitted for action at this meeting session. However, he wished to inform the Committee that there was an additional cost of \$1440 for additional test samples on the gymnasium floor.

Mr. Smith called for a motion approving this additional amount.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mrs. Danka) to approve payment of an additional increase in gym floor testing costs to Industrial Health & Safety in the amount of \$1440.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

Mr. Legen left the meeting session at 7:35 p.m.

Mr. Rath reminded Committee members that they will have to go out to bid for additional monitoring costs when the abatement projects take place. The abatements are scheduled to take place during the holiday recess period in December.

Mr. Smith stated that the assistance of representatives from Industrial Health & Safety would be needed in setting up an RFP for the bidding process. He advised setting a monetary amount for this service.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to pay an amount not to exceed \$2500 to Industrial Health & Safety for assistance in preparation of bidding services.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

Mr. Rath left the meeting session at 7:55 p.m.

Discussion with Code Consultant

Mr. Smith related to the Committee membership that the Joseph Pierz Associates' review of the design plans had been accepted by the State.

Discussion with Architect

Mr. Stein related that a code-related piece set up a bit of posturing between the Pierz Associates' review comments and the BSF (Building and Schools Facilities Unit at the State Department). BSF representatives are requiring a local overseer of the project to meet the BSF's guidelines on school building projects. Mr. Stein felt that the school district's maintenance supervisor Wayne Natzel could easily fulfill this role as he has several certifications that would meet BSF guidelines.

Mr. Smith called for a motion naming Wayne Natzel to serve in this capacity.

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mrs. Danka) to appoint Seymour schools System-Wide Maintenance Coordinator Wayne Natzel to serve as the project manager facilitator.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Baker, Mrs. Danka, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: Ms. Gesek

Mr. Stein stated the next big activity would be in solidifying the last piece of the BSF approval..It is important that this is done expeditiously as the Committee is on a very tight bidding schedule.

Discussion with Construction Manager

Mr. Calvert informed the Committee membership that advertisement has been made for bidding. The bidding documents are available on line with all information included.

The pre-bid meeting will be held next Wednesday, September 1, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. at the Town Hall. It was also advertised that the bid openings would take place on September 15, 2010. This would also take place at the Town Hall. It is expected that there will be a one-week extension on the bids.

Mr. Calvert hopes that all bids could be reviewed prior to the Committee's next meeting date now scheduled for September 29, 2010.

Project Schedule

Mr. Smith suggested that the meeting scheduled for September 22, 2010 be moved to September 29, 2010 in order to review the bidding materials and expedite this process. It is important that all is in place as the Committee remains on a very tight construction schedule.

Review of Project Budget

Budget costs to date are being reviewed and the additional costs for the abatement projects will be reviewed for their affect on the total budget amount.

Invoices

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

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Baker) to approve payment of \$1030.00, Invoice #10-123, to Industrial Health and Safety for costs accrued in gym floor sampling.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Marcinek, Mr. Baker, Mr. Calin, Mr. Coppola, Mrs. Jachimowski, Ms. Gesek, Mr. Putorti, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Smith

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mrs. Danka) to approve payment of \$2200, Invoice #10-124, to Industrial Health & Safety for work done on oil tank removal specifications.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Marcinek, sec., Mr. Putorti) to approve payment of Invoice #8202010 in the amount of \$12,000 to Pierz Associates for its work in the review of construction documents.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to approve payment of Invoice #10-896 in the amount of \$2,239.42 to Silver-Petrucelli for ongoing review and project requirements.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

Other Business

The meeting dates for September are scheduled for September 14 and September 29, 2010.

Mr. Smith felt that a ground-breaking ceremony should be planned for some time in October. Mrs. Danka, Mr. Belden, and Mr. Coppola were charged with planning this event.

Mr. Smith advised that it may be prudent for the Committee to advertise for a Materials Testing and Inspection Company to oversee the construction process as it is taking place. These representatives would be on the building site on a regular basis.

MOTION: (Mr. Catlin, sec., Mr. Marcinek) to advertise for a materials and inspection company subject to the comments and revisions by the design team.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

Hearing nothing further:

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

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Eugene Coppola