

Special Meeting
Chatfield-LoPresti Elementary
School Building Committee
Tuesday, February 10, 2009
Chatfield School's Teachers' Room
6:00 p.m.

DATE: 2-11-09
TIME: 11:55 AM
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE

Present: Donald Smith, Bruce Baker, Ray Catlin, Gene Coppola, Yashu Putorti, Sandra Gesek, Paul Roy, Phyllis Jachimowski, Peter Kubik, Kurt Miller, Jay Hatfield (6:55 p.m.)

Absent: Trisha Danko, Frank Conroy, Fred Stanek, Mark Thompson, Judy Legeza

Board of Education Representatives: MaryAnne Mascolo, Superintendent of Schools
Richard Belden

Architectural Firm Representatives from the Following Firms:

Tai Soo Kim Partners
The SLAM Collaborative
Silver Petrucelli Associates
Antinozzi Associates

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led those present in the pledge to the flag. He stated that the Committee membership would be interviewing representatives from the following architectural firms:

6:00 p.m. – Tai Soo Kim Architects
7:00 p.m. – The SLAM Collaborative
8:00 p.m. – Silver Petrucelli Associates
9:00 p.m. – Antinozzi Associates

The interviewing sessions concluded at 10:10 p.m.

Mr. Smith asked for any public comment. None was forthcoming.

Mr. Smith asked for approval of the minutes of the meeting of January 13, 2009.

MOTION: (Mr. Putorti, sec., Mrs. Jachimowski) to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2009 meeting as presented.

So moved.

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

Opposed: None.

Abstentions: Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Roy

Correspondence

Mr. Baker distributed copies of a letter he had received from Wayne Natzel, Seymour Schools' System-Wide Maintenance Supervisor, to all Committee members.

Review of Project Schedule

No report was given at this meeting session.

Review of Project Budget

There were no changes reported in the planned budget at this time.

Review of Final Survey Documents

Mr. Smith reported that nothing had been received from the Firm of Naperson and Young at this time.

Review A/E Proposals/Select Project Architect

There was much discussion on the presentations made by the four architectural firms who had been interviewed during the meeting session. It was decided by the Committee members present that no recommendation for hire would be made until a sub-committee of the membership had an opportunity to visit various school districts to view the work done and discuss with school personnel any problems or concerns that might have arisen during the construction process. It was also stated that this sub-committee should visit the main offices of the architectural firm.

The following sub-committee was appointed by Co-Chairman Peter Kubik:

Jay Hatfield
Saundra Gesek
Bruce Baker
Gene Coppola

Superintendent of Schools MaryAnne Mascolo will contact the superintendent of the communities selected for visitation and make an appointment for the visitations.

Approval of Invoices

There were no invoices submitted for action at this meeting session.

Other Business

Mr. Smith stated that he had read where the State Bonding Commission had approved a three hundred million dollar appropriation for the State's school building projects for the next fiscal year. This was good news for school districts that had submitted their applications to the Schools' Facilities Unit prior to June 30, 2008.

Hearing nothing further:

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

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Smith, Mr. Kubik, Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Coppola, Mr. Miller, Mr. Putorti,
Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Roy, Mrs. Jachimowski, Ms. Gesek

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 p.m.

Submitted by:

Eugene Coppola