

## **Trumbull High School Building Committee**

**August 8, 2012**

### **Minutes**

Called to Order: Chairman, James Nugent called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

Present: Ms. Bivona, Ms. Flynn, Mr. Preusch, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Chmielewski, Mr. McCabe and Ms. Timpanelli.

Absent: Mr. Ronnow, Mr. Doyle, Mr. Meisner and Mr. Jenkins.

Also Present: Mr. Al Barbarotta of AFB Construction, Mr. John Barbarotta of AFB Construction Management, Mr. Greg Smolley of JCJ, Mr. Mike Brennan of O&G and Mr. Brian Holmes of O&G, and Attorney Jeff Donofrio.

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#### Owner's Rep Update:

Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that a tour of the high school was conducted; in attendance were the First Selectman, Superintendent of Schools and Town Council members. They are working very hard at the high school and will be ready for the start of the school; they have not spent a lot on summer over time to date, although in the next twelve days they will need to spend more. This coming weekend is a big weekend, B-house still has a lot of work to be done, they will be coordinating the FF&E and then on to the cleaning of the school. There are still some issues with rain that has penetrated certain areas. Channel 17 went down for a couple of days due to a cable issue, a connectivity issue between the high school and the Agri-Science building. There was a call made to Mr. Kerwin followed by a productive meeting. Mr. Iassogna was concerned. The contractor, Greenwood was contacted, this has to be operational a week from Friday. Mr. Hackett the BoE Director was asked to confirm this for them. An insurance issue arose over the MDF closet; the new computer labs are wired. Mr. J. Barbarotta stated that the Town Purchasing Agent and Mr. Kerwin are working together with Mr. Hackett on what computers had been and are being ordered. Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that there are concerns that there are not enough bathrooms. There is the absolute minimum amount of bathrooms to meet code, the project is done to like-new-status, the bathrooms are complete. All issues that have come up are aesthetic, (i.e. cutting and patching and the fact that the millwork has to stained and refinished). Anyone who would walk through the project at this time would be concerned over what it looks like at this point, that is very typical at this point of project. They lost the Labor Day schedule; school will be opening before the holiday on the 27<sup>th</sup> of August and teachers are to start on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. The superintendent wants to hold meetings in the auditorium on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and the 24<sup>th</sup>. That takes two weeks out of the summer schedule, they will be scrambling at this point of the project, but they will be following their marching orders to be ready for the start of school. The superintendent did come to school today and was concerned over the MDF closet, the computers and the spaces available. Mr. A. Barbarotta indicated that having the 27<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup> as half days would still make them legal school days and would afford the project that much more time to clean and ready the spaces. The Fire Marshal and the Building Official will and are making themselves very available. The parking lot is going better than expected, the back parking lot is finished, and the striping is out to bid. The islands have been planted; the sidewalks are going to look great. The curbing and sidewalks came in at \$419,000, the paving at \$770,000 it appears that the paving and sidewalks will come in at \$1.2 million, half of the \$2.4 million in the budget. John Marsilio, Public Works Director has done everything and more than he said he would be able to do. The coordination with O&G and the sidewalks has been outstanding.

Mr. Brennan of O&G stated he, Mr. Walsh, Mr. J. Barabrotta and Mr. A. Barbarotta had met. The OT tickets are done everyday, rooms are defined as to what the goal is to be completed at the end of the day that is how the OT is being established, and it is goal orientated. Mr. J. Barbarotta stated that they are carrying \$100,000 on the cost data sheet for OT, there has been \$40-\$50,000 to date in OT and may spend approximately the same amount moving forward. The OT is controlled on a daily and weekly basis.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to authorize an additional \$50,000 for Over-Time expenses subject to review by AFB Construction Management.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Mr. Brian Holmes reviewed the Cost Summary Report with the committee (Attached). The project is still working within the 5% for change orders. There are additional scope items that are not change orders; this will be discussed with the state. The approved project by the state was at \$72 million.

Mr. Brennan indicated that they are working on everything at this time; there is much activity at the school. Mr. J. Barbarotta is confident O&G will have the work done, he is not confident that everything will be cleaned, if they have to work straight through to the 26<sup>th</sup> of August they will. FF&E is coming everyday, there is no place to put it, and there are already items from the classrooms in the cafeteria. This is going to be a hectic time. Every open space is occupied at this time. The old boiler room is going to be 4 classrooms, the existing pipe in that area is too low and needs to be raised, and otherwise there would be soffits. The question is to whether to raise 50 year old pipes or to replace with new and raise? They consulted with an engineer on the options. Mr. J. Barbarotta indicated that the soffit would be very low, in order to raise the existing pipes they would need to shut the water off for a week. They would also run the risk of running into unforeseen issues with raising the old pipes. The committee agreed it made sense to replace the pipes with new Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to authorize the replacement of the pipes in the M-Wing classrooms not to exceed \$43,000 pending the PCO to follow.

Prices from the subcontractors are from those already on the job,

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Timpanelli to approve the Invoice #AO71226 in the amount of \$10,146.25 for June 11,20,21,22,23,& 24, 2012 (includes after hours and weekends) representing project monitoring services for THS - asbestos testing.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the AMC Invoice AO71227 in the amount of \$4,362.50 dated July 23, 2012 representing project monitoring services for THS for 6-25-12 through 6-29-12 - asbestos testing.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the AMC Invoice AO71228 in the amount of \$9,958.75 dated July 23, 2012 representing project monitoring services for THS 7-2-12 through 7-12-12 - asbestos testing.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the AAIS Invoice 09855 dated 08-03-12 in the amount of \$47,226.51, representing fire penetrations, fire caulking, misc demo and installation of cabinets.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the O&G Ind. Invoice #39 in the amount of \$2,550,493 representing services through 7-31-12.

This invoice has been certified.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the Atlantic Leasing Corp. Invoice #19239 dated August 1, 2012 in the amount of \$410 representing rental storage and rental of a semi-trailer.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Timpanelli to approve the Ciulla and Donofrio LLC Invoice #15830 dated August 2, 2012 in the amount of \$1,388.25.

VOTE: Motion CARRIED unanimously.

The Chair reviewed a letter with the committee from the Chief of Police voicing his concern with regard to the generator and its emergency capacity at the high school urging him to discuss this matter with whoever could move this along. Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that at the end of the tour/walkthrough the emergency shelter was discussed, the original ed. specs did not include a pod/shelter and had never been presented as part of this project for the state. They had received a list of items to go on the generator on Thursday at a meeting, this was more extensive list than ever before, the generator they have now will not support the list. Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that the Chairman of the Town Council had indicated that if necessary a separate committee may be formed.

The next scheduled meeting is August 22, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. location at the Helen Plumb Building.

There being no further business to discuss and upon motion made by Ms. Bivona, seconded by Ms. Timpanelli the THSBC adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk

