

**THS BUILDING COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
June 4, 2014
Senior Room**

Members Present:

James Nugent, Chairman; Arthur Lemay, Vice Chairman
Kathleen Bivona, Sally Flynn, Rob McCabe, David Preusch, Lucinda Timpanelli, Douglas Doyle

Guests

Al Barbarotta and John Barbarotta of AFB Construction
Scott Ceella and Stephen Burgess of JCJ Architecture
Brian Holmes of O&G Industries
Jeff Donofrio

Call to Order

With a quorum being present, the Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Sally Flynn motioned to accept the minutes of the April 23, 2014 meeting as presented. Rob McCabe seconded. Douglas Doyle abstained. Motion carried. 6-0-1

New Business/Old Business

Al Barbarotta said that there are some items that have not been completed on the project such as approximately 5 signs and training on the card read access that we are waiting on. There is nothing else on the list, constructionwise, that will be addressed without additional charge. The project seems to be complete.

Arthur Lemay stated that the air handle in the upstairs Media Center was not fixed and is an unresolved issue. This has been looked at and JCJ will discuss with DCT then get back to O&G and Al Barbarotta with best and least expensive solution.

Lucinda Timpanelli is concerned that they still can't get any air.

John Barbarotta stated that they never got approval for the split system. The design meets approval and everything was done as specified. John doesn't have an answer unless we are willing to spend more money.

Arthur Lemay said it was upsetting to see the rigged units in the two rooms and it has been acknowledged that there is not enough air flow. He didn't feel we should walk away from the project without addressing the issue. If the school considers that completed, then we will accept it. But he feels it is totally unacceptable.

Jeff Donofrio indicated that there is no direction to do anything about it. Nothing can be done until the design is given.

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James Nugent questioned if a motion was needed to change the design to fix the problem.

Arthur Lemay stated that it was DTC's job to have a design that works regardless of the cost. Arthur feels it was not designed properly. Arthur asked JCJ if they had a recommendation. Frank Zanno looked at the problem and gave an opinion that we share the drawing with a design team.

James Nugent questioned if anyone felt that installing a split system would address the problem.

Brian Holmes stated that the school has these systems in storage. They are designed for small areas such as closets.

James Nugent asked if there is a design component to install and a person to install it. He questioned if a set of plans was needed to install it.

Lucinda Timpanelli was under the impression that the school's Maintenance Department was going to look into the issue to decide if they could seal the CFF or do the split system. Lucinda sent out an e-mail to the internal Maintenance Department and no one took action on it

Sally Flynn said that we paid for everything and so she thought it was completed. She asked if we have any recourse.

John Barbarotta stated that what was designed and what was installed doesn't meet the purpose. When the project was started, it didn't meet the needs of the school. The upstairs Media Room required a different design, but at that point the duct work was already installed. He said the air is not being pumped to the end of the line. Another issue is the amount of people in the room which would require more CFF. He suggested that the easiest solution at this point would be to enlarge the ductwork, which would be expensive, or to install the split system which would be the easiest way out.

James Nugent is not satisfied and wants to rectify the situation. It was agreed that it would take three to five days to complete this project. He suggested that we reach out once again to the internal Maintenance Department for a solution. John Barbarotta volunteered to look into this further with the Maintenance Department or get prices from outside vendors.

It was discussed as to what size the split unit should be to get the job done. Engineering input would be needed to accomplish this objective. The split units that we currently have should be reviewed to see if they will do the job. This would be the most cost effective and satisfy the significant PM demands.

Brian Holmes of O&G reported that several items have changed significantly although the construction cost didn't change. The estimated remaining contingency is \$639,606. He said the reason this meeting was delayed was to get all the bills to the Commission; however, M.J. Daly has not yet gotten back with the final numbers. Therefore, another meeting will have to be scheduled to wrap everything up.

James Nugent stated that there are still some outstanding issues such as tinted windows in the Special Ed area and the problem with the air flow. Hopefully, these issues will be resolved by the next meeting.

Sally Flynn was concerned about the generator and feels the Committee will be blamed and wants it publicized that the Committee had nothing to do with the placement of the generator even though it comes out of the THS Building budget. She feels we have been supportive but stated that the generator should not be placed outside of A-House.

Arthur Lemay met with John Marsillio and he said that the Town Council is requesting John to discuss this situation further at their meeting. Lucinda Timpanelli said this was not part of the original project and stated it at a Town Council meeting. She said it was not only for cosmetic reasons, but also students park in that area. Lucinda stated that more careful thought of its placement should have been considered. Arthur Lemay said that the Auditors were given a list of things to consider and the generator was one of those items. When THS was considered as a good location for a shelter, the generator wasn't considered part of the Building Committee's budget. He also stated that it isn't our money, it's the town's money. The generator is actually being revamped to have more capacity to facilitate the shelter. The Auditors are presently working on this. James Nugent stated that it is all the way the charge is presented.

Motion made by Sally Flynn to approve O&G's Change Order #353 which was a return of the CM (Construction Managers) contingency in the amount of (\$623,000), seconded Kathleen Bivona. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

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Motion made by Sally Flynn to approve JCJ's close out amount of \$2,747 that was for additional services and included in invoice #61, seconded by Kathleen Bovina. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Sally Flynn to approve JCJ invoices #61, #62 and #62 Exp. in the amount of \$3,856.79, seconded by Kathleen Bovina. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Sally Flynn to approve Sustainable Energy Solutions' invoice #1519 in the amount of \$8,250, seconded by Kathleen Bovina. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion made by Sally Flynn to approve O&G's App. #61 in the amount of \$201,753.22, seconded by Kathleen Bovina. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Al Barbarotta stated that this was the conclusion of all the invoices and monies due with the exception of the Media Room and the Special Ed area.

Al Barbarotta suggested everyone look over the Audit Report that he distributed to everyone and said there was good information regarding recommendations and concerns that could be considered for future projects. He also suggested that someone from the Finance Department and from Purchasing be present at these meetings.

We applied for certification of the LEED Program which requires 37 for Silver LEED and we sent in 39 for approval.

James Nugent would like a resolution to the air conditioning problem before the next, and hopefully last, meeting.

There being no further business to discuss a motion was made by Lucinda Timpanelli to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sally Flynn. Vote was unanimous. Motion carried

Respectfully submitted,

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