

Trumbull High School Building Committee
MINUTES
July 27, 2011

Called to Order: The Chairman, Mr. Nugent called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Present: Ms. Bivona, Mr. Doyle, Ms. Flynn (arrived at 7:10 p.m.), Mr. Lemay, Mr. Meisner, Mr. Nugent, Mr. Preusch and Ms. Timpanelli.

Absent: Mr. McCabe, Mr. Chmielewski, Mr. Ronnow, and Mr. Jenkins.

Also Present: Mr. Al. Barbarotta of AFB Construction Management, Mr. John Barbarotta of AFB Construction Management, Greg Smolley of JCJ, Brian Holmes of O&G, Joe Vetro of O&G, Brian Holmes of O&G and Tom Walsh of AP Construction.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded Mr. Meisner to accept 07-13-11 minutes as submitted.

VOTE Motion Carried 7-0-1 (Abstention: Bivona)

Owner's Rep Update:

Mr. A. Barbarotta reported that there had been correspondence between the professionals and the Superintendent over his concern that the project was not manned properly. The issue has been responded to by O&G's project manager.

The principle of the school had requested the use of the school on August 25th, the request has been agreed to. The professionals will access to the school on the 26th through weekend, this will allow for the final testing of all alarms, the schedule is compressed.

The issue with the gym floor thickness has been resolved and is on schedule as well as the kitchen. The installation of the police antenna on schedule. The concern that the RFI's were not being processed quickly enough has been rectified, JCJ is coming to the site more often. All of those involved have cooperated with allowing the access to the school for the work to progress. The thrust now is to focus on what needs to be done to get the school open; there are five (5) weekends between now and the opening of the school the last weekend is designated for cleaning.

Construction Manager Update:

Mr. Vetro reported that the kitchen floor had been installed; the kitchen equipment has been received and is awaiting the servery line equipment to be received. The final connection by the plumber will be completed.

Painting of the gym ceiling has been completed; the gymnasium floor product had been changed due to a thickness issue, the material has been ordered and should have the shipping date tomorrow, July 28th. The kitchen and the commons area will be inspected on the 16th; the bleachers will be installed on the 17th. One side of the bleachers will be installed for the start of school; the administration is aware and is not concerned; the second side of the bleachers to be installed on or about November 11, 2011. A plan will be worked with the school administration with regard to the installation.

The locker room areas have been scaled back, the focus was on the changing areas and lockers, individual showers will be ready for the start of school, the gang showers will not be.

The roof has been replaced over A-House and part of B-House; they are currently working on the roof area over the cafeteria. Next week the locker room areas on both sides are scheduled for roof work. The penetrations for the ductwork and air handlers will follow.

The front entrance concrete walkways are being installed. The fence will be taken down next week, the vestibule floor is complete.

The auditorium roof has been patched, the updated information has been sent to the insurance company, and are awaiting their reply.

Ms. Timpanelli stated that Tuesday of this week the department heads met with John Barbarotta of AFB and reviewed the plans. Mr. J. Barbarotta reported that it had gone very well. When questions were asked by the department heads of specific items that had not been included they were told that they had been value engineered out. Mr. J. Barbarotta stated that there were very few negative comments.

Ms. Flynn spoke in favor of the department heads review of the plans.

Most of the department heads' questions were with regard to storage and shelving. The old classrooms have the old storage included and the new classrooms will get new storage, there were questions with regards to the smart boards, there was one smart board in particular that was purchased with grant money and will need to in a particular area of the school (business area) to meet the grant requirements. The Math, Social Studies, Business, World Language, Science and Special Education department heads had reviewed the plans at the Tuesday morning meeting.

Mr. Vetro stated that the rooftop piping and ductwork penetrations are being worked on now, the big question is what will be a/c'ed and what will not be. Mr. A. Barbarotta added that the chillers are up and running, but can not quantify how many of the 25. There were 28 plumbers on site today

Moved by Mr. Doyle, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the authorization of additional Premium Time for the purpose of expediting the project in the amount of not to exceed \$200,000 (from the Construction Manager Contingency) for expenditures relating to premium time and over-time for the period of July 27 through the end of this summer.

Mr. Vetro explained that the premium time includes the mechanical trades' weekend work and overtime during the week.

Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that they are looking at the second shift to see if it is manned as it should be; 25 during the day with an additional 15 workers at night would be optimal.

Mr. Doyle questioned whether there were quality assurance leaders on the job along with the 28 plumbers; questioning how many leads there were with the 28 plumbers. Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that was one of their concerns that is currently being addressed. The \$200,000 for the overtime is based upon an estimate, AFB will verify the hours worked and hourly rates will be submitted. Premium time is equal to a 15% differential, not the hour rate or benefits. OT is based upon just the time worked.

Ms. Flynn stated the premium time is necessary based upon the lost individual days due to the extreme winter we experienced, which also resulted in the loss of the February vacation time slotted for work; O&G and the architect have worked above and beyond in order to keep the project to schedule.

Mr. Holmes stated that the project has been under stress since February 2011 and have been pushed to get the project ready for the start of school. Mr. A. Barbarotta explained that is the nature of this type of project and would expect the same next summer.

The Building Committee discussed the correspondence between the Superintendent of Schools and the professionals. The Superintendent was acting as the teachers advocate and was appropriate. The Building Committee discussed the fact that no construction project is without its pain, it is full of inconveniences for all involved and commended AFB for bringing all of the department heads together.

Mr. A. Barbarotta explained that the additional funds for the premium time will allow the school to open as a safe, clean and code compliant school; there will be a certain amount of incompleteness. There will be items that are not finished, the basic components will be usable; many of the “finish” items will not be completed before the start of school. The a/c is the biggest exposure at this juncture; there are approximately 60-70 people working on this at this time, much of the equipment will be up and running.

VOTE: Motion Carried unanimously.

Approval of Invoices:

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve AFB Construction Mgt. application #37 in the amount of \$29,166.84 representing services through July 31, 2011.

The application approved at the July 13, 2011 meeting was for the time period through June 30, 2011.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the AMC Environmental Inv. # A07116 and Inv. #A07115 in the total amount of \$11,301.25 representing the monitoring of the asbestos abatement.

VOTE: Motion Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve CT Material Testing Inv. #2011-3920 in the amount of \$1,140.00.

This represents the testing of the steel.

VOTE: Motion Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve Hewlett-Packard Invoices #49507460, 49286522, and 48787918 for the total amount of \$166,944 representing switches, power Intel, cables and printers.

VOTE: Motion Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve RnB Enterprises, Inc. Inv. # 49921 and 49067 in the total amount of \$87,829.75

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the WB Meyer. Inc Inv. # COM-391-1/4 in the amount of \$3,355.

This represents moving of chemicals from the science department.

VOTE: Motion Carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the O&G Construction Application #24 in the amount of \$2,034,912 representing services through June 30, 2011.

Vote: Motion Carried unanimously.

Ms. Flynn spoke favorably of the amount of activity at the high school this week. All present agreed.

The next scheduled Trumbull High School Building Committee meeting is August 10, 2011 at the Helen Plumb Building.

There being no further business to discuss the THSBC adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk