

Trumbull High School Building Committee
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September 14, 2011

Called to Order: The Vice-Chairman, Mr. Lemay called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m.

Present: Ms. Bivona, Ms. Flynn, Mr. Lemay, Mr. Chmielewski, Mr. Preusch, Mr. Jenkins, Mr. Ronnow (arrived at 7:34 p.m.) and Ms. Timpanelli.

Absent: Mr. Nugent, Mr. Meisner, Mr. Doyle and Mr. McCabe.

Also Present: Mr. Al Barbarotta and Mr. John Barbarotta of AFB Construction Management, Stephen Burgess of JCJ, Brian Holmes of O&G, Joe Vetro of O&G and Mr. Kerwin of Vanderweil.

Approval of Minutes:

By unanimous consent the THS Building Committee moved to accept 08-24-11 minutes as submitted.
VOTE Motion Carried 6-0-1 (Abstention: Doyle).

Owner's Rep Update: Mr. Al Barbarotta reported that the school opened on Tuesday, September 6, 2011.

(Ms. Timpanelli left the meeting at 7:08 p.m.)

Mr. Barbarotta noted that a well timed hurricane helped the project finish additional items that otherwise had been scheduled to be finished at a later time, such as the gymnasium floor and bleachers, although there is a slight striping issue. It was a scramble to get the school open. There is a second shift of workers from 3-11:00 and will be continuing as the project moves forward.

(Ms. Timpanelli returned to the meeting at 7:10 p.m.)

Mr. Barbarotta noted that the Chair and the professionals presented the update to the Town Council at the September meeting and in general it was received well.

There is an issue with C-12 and the committee will need to be aware of a program decision/issue with getting the lab back. The architect will show the design that was presented to the ad-hock committee and the superintendent had signed the design. It is not known where the communication brake down was.

Mr. Kerwin of Vanderweil discussed the proposal for addition of uninterruptible power supplies (UPS) to the wiring closets. The units provide enhanced power quality to the electronic devices and battery support in the event of a loss of the primary power. The UPS for the main switch is configured with extended battery support to keep the TV studio broadcast connectivity operational. The proposed amount for the UPS is \$24,587.92. Mr. Barbarotta noted that the school's mechanical and electrical has been upgraded and updated. This building has a history of power outages, all of the new mechanical and electrical is still impacted by the existing old system. The Building Committee had previously approved a temporary system. There have been numerous conversions with regard to IT; there may be a warranty issue if this is not put into place.

Mr. Kerwin explained the second proposal is the surveillance system change which will enhance the system for first responders. This will work with the software issues adding to and maintaining records. There are two separate pieces for back-up and 30 day retention storage included in this system. The core network is going well; the smart boards are currently being installed.

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John Barbarotta noted that they will be installing two (2) smart boards a day for the next three (3) weeks. There are approximately 32 in total. All instructional computers are new.

In response to Ms. Bivona, Mr. J. Barbarotta stated that Jeff Hackett worked with Bill Connolly with regard to the surveillance system and would have to say yes that the cameras will be installed outside of the bathrooms.

Ms. Flynn noted that she always has an issue with surprise proposals and is not sure how it was not known there would be a warranty issue. Mr. Barbarotta stated that Mr. Hackett believed it had been a request from the beginning of the planning. Mr. Kerwin stated that he had not been party to the warranty discussions, but it had not been part of the technology budget. Mr. Lemay stated that perhaps it is part of the IT budget. Mr. Al Barbarotta stated this is something needs to be done. Mr. Lemay stated that the Owner's Rep will decide what budget this item would come from.

In response to Mr. Doyle, Mr. Burgess explained that the main data is supplied to the generator. Mr. Kerwin stated that the generator is sized to life safety, the closets are not supplied to the generator but the main data is. Mr. Burgess requested time for JCJ to review this item and to check on the size of the generator and will report back to the building committee on this item.

(Mr. Ronnow arrived at 7:24 p.m.)

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the Vanderweil UPS proposal not to exceed \$24,587.92.

Mr. Lemay stated he was uncomfortable with the funding source question. Mr. Barbarotta confirmed for Mr. Jenkins that this was time sensitive item. Mr. Lemay suggested that it be taken from the technology budget.

Ms. Flynn withdrew her motion.

Ms. Flynn moved, seconded by Ms. Bivona to approve the Vanderweil UPS proposal dated 09-14-11 not to exceed \$24,600 and to be appropriated from the Technology budget.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

With regard to the surveillance system change the Building Committee discussed that the design had been vetted with the tech group. Mr. Doyle questioned whether the system would be compatible with the district? Mr. Kerwin explained that originally when designing the system everyone was happy with Oncey and had later received direction to go the Milestone version. Mr. J. Barbarotta noted that it was his understanding that Mr. Hackett would be present to speak to this item. The software cost is anticipated to increase on 09-30-11. After further discussion the Building Committee agreed to postpone this item until the next meeting.

Ms. Timpanelli explained that when the architect had discussions with individual departments, no one would have wanted to or had chosen to lose a room. Mr. Iassagna may have signed off on the plan but not with the full understanding of losing a room. The media room was to gain a room but it was the understanding that it would have been within their footprint. Ms. Timpanelli explained that the foreign language teacher had gone to C-12 and had found the door gone and wanted it put back; there are 140 students scheduled for that room, it was the day before school and that needed to be fixed asap. There had not been any work scheduled to be done on this area or the Media Center until the summer of 2012. Ms. Peruzzi had written the committee a letter, but since Ms. Timpanelli had believed the issue had been

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resolved earlier in the day with her, Mr. J. Barbarotta and the principle she did not bring the letter to this meeting. Mr. Al Barbarotta explained the room had been relocated to a different corner in the Media Center. Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that he had been working with the superintendent and the principle on this issue as late as 4:30 this afternoon. It was agreed the ad-hock committee would be brought back together to resolve this issue. Ms. Timpanelli explained that teachers are not be relocated away from their departments and had never been mentioned in the ad-hock committee meetings. Mr. Lemay stated that this is a school leadership decision and should be an informed decision. Ms. Timpanelli stated all should want to do what is right for the program.

Mr. Preusch spoke to the C-House office design issue. Mr. Preusch explained that the C-House office had moved A & C House offices are mirror images; once it was moved it failed to meet the prior conditions of the old office. The users of the space did not understand how it was going to be there are functionality and privacy issues with the new design of this office. It is necessary to arrest these issues before moving forward.

Ms. Bivona explained that it is necessary to identify the problems, to reestablish the chain of command; it was everyone's understanding that there were procedures in place so that all did understand what the spaces were going to be. The committee discussed that the mechanical rooms will be removed at the end of the project when they are no longer necessary, those rooms can be repurposed for additional space in these offices. The reception area, copy area and closets had been added to the design; all of these took away square footage from the overall design. It had never been explained or understood that this was in the same square footage and space, otherwise the extras would not have approved. Ms. Timpanelli explained the space issue in detail with the building committee. Ms. Flynn stated that the main office is also smaller, especially the conference room. Mr. Doyle stated that the users are explaining the functionality issues, noting that the house office have to be functioning spaces. Mr. Burgess confirmed that there are four (4) mechanical spaces per floor. There are eight (8) in total and are right next to the offices and would be excellent choice to solve the space issues of the house offices.

The Building Committee discussed how the spaces could be resolved now. Mr. A. Barbarotta suggested the privacy issues could be resolved with blinds in the interim.

Ms. Timpanelli explained that it had been requested not to remove the mill work in A-House but it had still been removed. After the issues with A-House and C-House; the B-House personnel is concerned over their move and has requested an overlay of the design so that all understand exactly how the space will function. Mr. A. Barbarotta and Mr. J. Barbarotta discussed possibly not using 7 spaces but going down to five spaces allowing the house to spread out and have more overall space.

Mr. Doyle questioned the metal window colors; Mr. Burgess will check on this and report back to the committee.

The Building Committee discussed the transcript room and where it would be located to also discuss the bathrooms and the fact some of the bathrooms were patch and match. Mr. Doyle requested that that the CM and the architect to review the finishes and to identify where and what the design mismatches may be and to bring this information to the committee.

The committee was informed that the terrazzo restoration had been included on the wish list.

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Mr. Lemay noted that the list of possible items needed would need to be completed in order to be able to bring it to the current elected officials, suggesting that the list be prepared at the next meeting.

Ms. Bivona noted that there were some items that needed to be addressed; i.e. there was no color to mark the houses, the back hallway had been painted incorrectly and this had been brought to Ms. Norris of JCJ's attention.

CM UPDATE:

Mr. Vetro reviewed and explained in detail with the building committee in detail the following items:
Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Doyle to approve PCO #108 representing the roof rubber walls in the amount of \$40,169.

Mr. Vetro explained that the walls were taking in some water the rubber walls will remedy the situation; this will not be able to be seen from the road.

Vote: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Chiemelewski to approve PCO #109 representing the curtain drain in the amount of \$8,708.

Mr. A. Barbarotta explained that parking lot always had flooded in this area

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Chiemelewski to approve PCO #110 representing the sign cap in the amount of \$1,618.

Mr. Vetro explained that this is a granite monument on either side of the sign and is a pyramid shape; concrete cost almost the same amount.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

(Ms. Bivona left the meeting at 8:40 p.m.)

Mr. Vetro extended his gratitude to the Town's Fire Marshal and Building Official for their tireless efforts. Mr. Ronnow extended his gratitude and commended O&G for a job well done and to always making themselves available.

In response to Mr. Doyle, Mr. A. Barbarotta stated that it is not time to commission; there has not been enough completed to date to be able to commission; they are working with the commissioning agents weekly.

Mr. Brian Holmes reviewed the Cost Summary Data with the building committee as follows: the projected GMP is \$51,901,706 and the current variance which is the Current Owner Contingency at \$3,400,755. Approvals made at this meeting are not included in those amounts.

Mr. Lemay extended his gratitude to Ms. Timpanelli for her hard work and commitment to the project.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Ms. Timpanelli to approve the AAIS Invoice #'s 9234 and #9244 in a total amount of \$124,180.57 representing fire penetrations.

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In response to Ms. Flynn, Mr. Barbarotta explained that there is a shift differential paid and pay the follow the prevailing wage categories. There are different types of installation most has been done at the lower rate. The prevailing wage is determined by the state. All tickets are reviewed.

VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Doyle to approve the CT Materials Testing Lab Invoice #2011-3977 dated 08-19-2011 representing concrete inspections, field compaction testing, structural steel inspection, concrete core drilling and analysis thereof and concrete cores-cutting and compression testing in the amount of \$1,580. VOTE: Motion carried.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Ronnow to approve the JCJ Invoice #35 and Invoice #11 representing the time period through August 31, 2011 in the total amount of \$30,057.68. VOTE: Motion carried 6-1 (Against: Flynn).

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Doyle to approve the O&G Industries, Inc/AP Construction Application #26 dated for a period through August 31, 2011 in the amount of \$3,557,160. VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Chiemelewski to approve the Sonitrol Inv. # 900001 dated 09-12-11 in the amount of \$5,485.48 representing extended warranty Nortel 08-01-11 through 10-31-11. VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Doyle to approve the Wholesale Computers Invoice representing 116 desk top computers and associated equipment, assembly and testing in the amount of \$84,564. VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Ms. Flynn, seconded by Mr. Chiemelewski to approve the William B. Meyer invoice # COM-856-1/1 dated 08-31-11 in the amount of \$1,230 representing moving the hazardous chemicals back into the science department. VOTE: Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. J. Barbarotta discussed the lockers and a letter requesting additional lockers written by Julie Lubie. After a detailed discussion the committee directed the professionals to use the next phase lockers immediately which are currently on site to meet the needs of the school.

Mr. J. Barbarotta explained that there had been a request for a new sound system that had been demo'ed along with the bleachers; the approximate cost is \$2,700 to replace it. This will be discussed at the next meeting. Ms. Timpanelli stated that the sound system was not used often only at rehearsals

By unanimous consent the THSBC agreed the next scheduled meeting as Tuesday, September 27 at 7:00 p.m. at the Helen Plumb Building, 2011 at the Helen Plumb Building. The change in committee meeting schedule is due to the upcoming Rosh Hashanah holiday on Wednesday, September 28, 2011

There being no further business to discuss the THSBC adjourned by unanimous consent at 9:12 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Margaret D. Mastroni, Clerk