

MEETING MINUTES

Trumbull Veterans & First Responders Building Committee

Via Zoom

Wednesday, March 9, 7:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Ray Baldwin at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

Attendance

Present:

Ray Baldwin
Dan Sacco
MaryBeth Thornton
Preston Merritt
Michael Lombardo,
Steve Lemoine
Bruce Silverstone

Absent:

Dawn Cantafio

Also Present:

George Wiles, Architect at Wiles Architects
Kevin Bova, Town of Trumbull Purchasing Agent
Dan Martin, Assistant Finance Director, Town of Trumbull
Ernie Foito
Jim Nugent, Attorney-Town of Trumbull

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes from January 20, 2022 Meeting

Moved by Mr. Lemoine and seconded by Ms. Thornton to approve the January 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes. **Vote: 7-0-0**

Review and approval of Conte Builders demolition invoice (attached)

Conte Builders submitted an invoice for demolition plus additional cost for asbestos removal and abatement. The additional cost is for a couple hundred square feet and some hazardous material found.

Moved by Ms. Thornton and seconded by Mr. Lemoine to approve invoice for demolition costs, including asbestos removal and abatement. **Vote: 7-0-0**

Financial report (Dan Martin & Preston Merritt)

No updates from P. Merritt--nothing out of the ordinary to report--everything is within budget so far.

Mr. Sacco asked about the account balance. Answer: Bond – \$3,018 available. Grant – \$76,269 remaining on it (after demo is paid for).

Mr. Merritt is going to track expenses against donations coming in. As of December, we have \$4,215.27.

Mr. Silverstone suggested getting a quarterly accounting on monies coming in/going out. Mr. Merritt will report quarterly. Mr. Silverstone said we shouldn't be spending money out of this account going forward. Mr. Preston said can't use grant money on certain types of things, so may need to use donations received.

Bonding & fundraising update. (Rina Bakalar)

Ms. Bakalar said we're awaiting state level bond committee meeting. Still have support from our delegation, but the governor has not been holding meetings recently. With changes and a corruption scandal going on in Hartford, meetings aren't being convened. Probably looking at June for the next bond commission meeting.

An inquiry from the state has been received to submit paperwork on anything related to demolition bidding. We are in compliance, just have to ride this out.

Regarding federal money, Mr. Baldwin said that Mr. Himes is supportive of the project and it is on his radar. Waiting for Build Back Better bill to be approved.

Any other business to come before the committee

Mr. Baldwin asked if there is anything else we need to do on site now that building has been cleared out. Mr. Wiles said perhaps we can look at septic system, but that might exceed the amount left in budget. Ms. Bakalar stated that Committee needs to spend the money in case more steep grants come in – can't have any open grants in order to get another one. Try to find a small project that needs to get done. Mr. Wiles said that will involve putting bid packages together. Mr. Bova said can use on call services to keep fees down. Grant expires April 23, 2023. Mr. Baldwin will meet with Ms. Bakalar, Mr. Estrada and Mr. Wiles to brainstorm on ways to use remaining grant money.

Adjournment

Moved by Mr. Sacco, seconded by Mr. Silverstone to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm.
Vote: **7-0-0.**

Submitted by

Marisa Petriello



INVOICE

PLEASE REMIT PAYMENT TO:

75 Rampart Road
Norwalk, CT 06854

BILL TO:

Town of Trumbull
5866 Main Street
Trumbull, CT 06611

DATE INVOICE #

2/3/2022 5299

STATE OF CT, DEMOLITION LICENSE #	P.O. #	TERMS	PROJECT		
DMCR.001596 Class B	20220622	Net 30	1 Veterans Circle - VFW Demo		
DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT		
Building Demolition (100%)	1	41,190.00	41,190.00		
Scope Reduction - Shipping Container to Stay (100%)	1	-503.00	-503.00		
Scope Reduction - Parking Lot Lights to Stay (100%)	1	-544.00	-544.00		
CO#01: 205SF of Asbestos Abatement (100%)	1	3,246.00	3,246.00		

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AMOUNT DUE

\$43,389.00