

Special Meeting
Chatfield-LoPresti Elementary School
Building Committee
Wednesday, May 27, 2009
Chatfield School's Teachers' Lounge
7:00 p.m.

Present: Donald Smith, Yashu Putorti, Michael Marcinek, Paul Roy, Frank Conroy, Sandra Gesek, Phyllis Jachimowski, Ray Catlin, Fred Stanek, Gene Coppola, Bruce Baker(7:50p.m.), Trisha Danka (8:10 p.m.), Jay Hatfield (8:15 p.m.)

Absent: Peter Kubik, Judy Legeza, Mark Thompson, Kurt Miller

Silver – Petrocelli Representatives: Dean Petrocelli, David Stein

Board of Education Representatives: MaryAnne Mascolo, Richard Belden (8:02 p.m.)

Fusco Construction Representative: Joseph Merhill

Mr. Smith called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. and led those present in the pledge to the flag.

Public Comment

No one from the public was present at this meeting session.

Under this agenda item, Mr. Stanek announced that recipients of the David Brumer Award would be recognized at the June 1, 2009 Board of Education Meeting being held at the Seymour High School at 7:00 p.m. The co-recipients of this award are two individuals who worked tirelessly to get the townspeople to accept the Building Committee's proposal for the current Chatfield-LoPresti building project and Mr. Stanek felt that it would be nice to have some Committee members present at this awards occasion. All Committee members were invited to attend.

Approval of Minutes

As minutes from the previous meeting had not been distributed to the Committee membership, no action was taken on their acceptance at this meeting session.

Correspondence

No correspondence had been received other than three memoranda forwarded by Silver-Petrocelli architects by e-mail.

Discussion with Architects

David Stein distributed a Program Information Form for the Committee membership's information depicting what has occurred since the Firm has been on board. Representatives have met with local staffs and developed a wish list that the professional staff would like to see included in the building project. Some of these items included more space for science lab work as well as more teaching space for the music program.

Dean Petrocelli reviewed the form with the Committee members and pointed out the extras that resulted from his representatives' meeting with the professional staff. As these suggestions were going to have an effect on the project costs, Committee members are going to have to review them thoroughly and make their decisions accordingly.

Fusco Construction representative Joseph Merhill stated that increased square footage to the building project will involve an increase in cost. Items listed on the new wish list could cost as much as \$2 million. This amount would take up most of the money set aside in the Committee's contingency line item included in the project's overall budget.

After much discussion, Mr. Marcinek felt the Committee would have to review the overall plan and find three to five thousand square feet that would have to be eliminated from the total project.

Committee members were asked to peruse the wish list and be ready to make suggestions for deletions or inclusions at subsequent meeting sessions.

Review of Project Schedule

David Stein distributed an updated design schedule depicting work to be done between May through November of 2009. Discussion ensued.

Mr. Petrocelli indicated that his firm's emphasis will be on item nine, initial design layouts, which he felt have to be drawn up and acted upon in order for the schedule to be maintained as planned.

Mr. Baker inquired as to the status of the Town's contracts with the architectural firm and the construction manager.

Mr. Petrocelli responded that legalities are still being worked on with the Town's attorney and that everything would be in place soon. Work is continuing as usual as no problem is anticipated with the completed contracts.

Project Budget

Mr. Smith announced that the budget had been adjusted to coincide with the hiring of the Silver-Petrocelli Firm.

Approval of Invoices

No invoices were submitted for approval at this meeting session.

Other Business

Mr. Smith inquired as to the status of the ED-049 Form that has to be submitted to the State Department prior to June 30, 2009

Mr. Belden responded that he was currently working on it with the Town's finance officer and should be able to meet with the architects and review the information some time next week.

Mr. Stein announced that he was working with representatives from Fusco Construction to create a web site for the Committee membership's benefit. It would be a way of getting information out to the membership as needed.

Hearing nothing further:

MOTION: (Mr. Baker, sec., Mr. Catlin) to adjourn the meeting.

So moved.

Affirmative: Mr. Baker, Mr. Catlin, Mr. Smith, Mr. Putorti, Mr. Roy, Mr. Stanek, Mr. Marcinek, Ms. Gesek, Mrs. Jachimowski, Mrs. Danka, Mr. Hatfield, Mr. Conroy, Mr. Coppola

Opposed: None.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday evening, June 9, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., in the Chatfield School's Teachers' Lounge.

Submitted by:

Eugene Coppola