

East Side Fire Station Building Committee Regular Meeting

Fire Headquarters

72 New Haven Avenue, Milford, CT

Thursday, April 5, 2012

Call to Order: Chairman Healy called the meeting to order at 1743 hours. A quorum was present.

1. **Roll Call**

Committee members John Healy, Carmen Corvino, William Brennan, Bill Bevan, Alderman Phil Vetro, Jack Jansen, and Judith Toohey. Also present were Chief Louis A. LaVecchia and Battalion Chief Dan DeVecchio; from DeCarlo & Doll, Inc., Emanuel Machado.

2. **Consideration of Minutes**

Regular Meeting - March 8, 2012

Committee Members Corvino and Vetro made and seconded a motion to accept the minutes of the March 8, 2012, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Report of Chairman**

Chairman Healy reported there had been a job site meeting where he said the projected end date for the station, as told to him by Salce Contracting, would be in eight to ten weeks. He added that an updated schedule from Salce Contracting had not yet been submitted as requested.

The Chairman informed the Committee the last of the cement had been poured, with the exception of the foundation for the flagpole. He also said the roof is 99 percent complete; there are currently some issues with the flashing, but he assured the Committee these issues will be handled and corrected.

Chairman Healy said the windows had been ordered and would be delivered to the site on April 11th. He then stated the fire protection for the building would begin on Tuesday, April 10th. The Chairman noted there are some holes in the siding, which are the spaces needed to install the louvers for the ventilation system.

The Chairman then informed the Committee there had been cracks found in the block walls. He said Mr. Troy Dixon of DeCarlo & Doll and Chief LaVecchia inspected the cracks. A representative from CT Materials Testing had also inspected the cracks, and has deemed them to be cosmetic in nature. The Chairman said the cracks are being closely monitored. Committee Member Brennan explained the cracks appear to be caused by normal stresses. He also stated someone from the Salce Contracting tried to remedy the situation by applying a white-colored material in the cracks. Chairman Healy noted there was no authorization for anyone to try and remedy the cracks.

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Mr. Machado said the cornerstone for the building is included in this month's payment application. He said the final price quote from O&G is \$660, and the mason will install the cornerstone upon completion.

Chairman Healy asked Mr. Machado to explain the overhead doors to the Committee. Mr. Machado said the shop drawings had been approved and the doors will be ordered. He stated Salce Contracting was trying to submit an \$8,000 change order with regards to the overhead doors, saying a lowering kit was required, along with lowering the doors eight inches. Mr. Machado said the doors chosen by Salce Contracting were not rated for 35 pounds/square foot, as specified, and the doors were rejected; Salce Contracting was told to choose the specified doors as submitted in the original shop drawings. The Chairman assured the Committee the station would get the proper doors.

Chairman Healy said some sheetrock had been delivered to the site and was being stored in the apparatus bay.

4. Architect Report

Mr. Machado reminded the Committee that no updated schedule had been submitted by Salce Contracting since October 18, 2011; based on that schedule and the current status of the project, he estimates the project completion to be in 12 weeks.

Mr. Machado showed the Committee the shop drawing log; he said Salce Contracting's log showed errors and DeCarlo & Doll has addressed and remedied this issue.

Mr. Machado presented the Committee with a payment application. He explained the bulk of the payment application includes the roof and much of the mechanical installation, and reiterated that the cornerstone is reflected in this payment application. The total recommended for payment by DeCarlo & Doll is \$178,317.98.

Committee Members Jansen and Vetro made and seconded a motion to approve and pay the payment application in the amount of \$178,317.98, pending final tabulation by DeCarlo & Doll, Inc. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Machado informed the Committee that two new change orders had been submitted. The first is in regards to the storefront glazing, and \$11,000 is being requested. Mr. Machado commented the Committee should be getting a credit for hardware. He said this change order would not be acted upon at this time.

The second change order refers to the traffic light that recently was approved for the site. The letter submitted by subcontractor KTM requests \$22,000. Mr. Machado commented he needs to further investigate this issue, as it is his belief this was submitted in error and is not an actual change order.

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Mr. Machado suggested the Committee meet again prior to the submission of the next payment application.

5. Fire Department Representative

Invoices

Committee Members Toohey and Brennan made and seconded a motion to pay the invoice in the amount of \$50 to Recording Secretary Colleen Birney from account 0040-4320-5527-4168-0000 (secretary). Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Members Jansen and Toohey made and seconded a motion to pay the invoice in the amount of \$14,0720 to DeCarlo & Doll, Inc., from account 0040-4320-5527-4993-0011 (construction administration). Motion carried unanimously.

Battalion Chief DeVecchio presented two invoices from DeCarlo & Doll, both requiring further explanation: Mr. Troy Dixon for \$1,150; Mr. Jeff Hopper for the traffic control drawings. Chairman Healy suggested tabling these two issues until further explanation can be attained.

6. New Business

The Committee decided to schedule a meeting for April 26th at 5:30 at Fire Headquarters.

Chairman Healy invited anyone available to tour the site on Monday, April 9th at 2:00.

7. Adjournment

Committee Members Vetro and Corvino made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 1849 hours. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by C. Birney