

**PERMANENT SCHOOL FACILITIES BUILDING COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 11, 2010**

The Permanent School Facilities Building Committee held a meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2010 at City Hall, in the conference room. Chairman Woods called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Committee Members Present

M. Woods, Chairman  
Ald. M Hardiman  
R. White (BOE)  
T. Casey (BOE)

Also Present

B. Silver, Silver Petrucelli Assoc., A/E  
P. Jorgensen, Silver Petrucelli Assoc. A/E  
T. Yahn, Malkin Construction  
R. Martin, Malkin Construction

Excused: Ald. R. Vitali, R. Funaro, T. Creedon

**Consideration of the Minutes of February 18, 2010 meeting**

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2010 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**Status Report – Jonathan Law High School – Phase II**

Mr. Jorgensen reported he and Mr. Bradbury met with Mr. DiBacco on March 8, 2010. Mr. Jorgensen noted it was Mr. DiBacco who requested the meeting after receiving the termination letter from Silver Petrucelli at the request of this Committee regarding the tardy punch-list completion.

Mr. Silver explained they had sent a very stern letter regarding the outstanding items and that they received a rebuttal letter back from Mr. DiBacco so it was agreed they would meet. Mr. Silver referred to p. 2 of the handout and stated Mr. DiBacco does not agree with many of the contract violation allegations. Mr. Silver stated there are at least 15-20 items that have not been done and Mr. DiBacco was asked of his intention.

Chairman Woods interjected stating it was his understanding CT Carpentry was off the job.

Mr. Jorgensen stated they spoke with Mr. Bradbury and he agreed if Mr. DiBacco was serious he would be able to finish the job he would be allowed to do so. Mr. Jorgensen stated items such as materials that have been ordered would not be done, (i.e. one hardware set) and gave him that opportunity. He stated Mr. DiBacco intends to have all of the items completed with one week and that the remaining items that require back ordered materials should be ready by the next meeting.

Chairman Woods asked Malkin how they felt about not be able to finish the CT Carpentry work.

Mr. Yahn stated in fairness to the CCC sub-contractors it would be a more seamless transition in getting it done by the subs regardless of the general contracts. A brief discussion ensued.

Mr. Silver stated he would be inclined to submit a change order to the Committee for the 6-7 times Mr. Jorgensen has had to go back to this site because of the problems that have occurred and then the Committee would back charge CT Carpentry for the same.

Mr. Silver referred the Committee to p. 1 for one change order on this project concerning the Eno boards. He explained at Law there were hot spots which needed to be addressed. He explained because of the existing low ceiling configuration in the science labs, they had these hot 'data' spots which they did not have at Foran where the ceilings were higher. He stated they needed to revise the projector configuration to eliminate these hot spots on the boards.

Mr. Cummings explained the projectors are currently mounted in the center of the room and that after meeting with a representative from HB Communications, they decided the ceiling mounts would not be used and that the educators would purchase new wall-mounted short-throw mounts.

Mr. Silver added the educators will be buying 6 new Hitachi projectors and that the contractor's proposal for the re-wiring would be \$1,146.00.

Ald. Hardiman and Mrs. Casey made and seconded a motion to approve the change order to HB Communications contract in the amount of \$1,146.00 to change the projectors to a short throw configuration.

Chairman Woods asked if the 'hot spot' Epson projectors have been purchased.

Mr. Silver responded yes, and the BOE has absorbed them into the system while preparing the buy the replacement Hitachi's at no additional expense to the Committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

### **Status Report – Joseph A. Foran High School – Phase II**

Mr. Silver stated there are two outstanding Eno boards yet to be purchased by the committee once sufficient funds are transferred from the Academy project.

### **Status Report – Jonathan Law High School – Phase III**

Mr. Jorgensen reported the project is moving along very smoothly. He stated the masons are on-site as well as the roofers, electricians and plumbers. He stated there are a large number of people on-site and that it is very impressive to see the work moving along so well. Mr. Jorgensen also reported some of the walls are up as well as the first layer of the roof membrane.

Ald. Hardiman commented he had the opportunity to stop by and commented things really look good.

Mr. Martin reported the mechanical trades continue to work on the inside which is 80% complete. He stated they are on schedule and as long as the weather continues to cooperate they should remain on schedule. He also reported they are shoring up on the inside of the existing school and should be tying into the connecting lobby on the east side of the courtyard in the next day or so. Mr. Martin also reported the slate has been ordered as well as lockers.

Mr. Silver referred the Committee to p. 6 of the handout. He reported the concrete admixture came in less on their prior approved change order and he wished to make the Committee aware of it.

Mr. Jorgensen explained there is a credit of \$41,375.00 of unused unsuitable soil allowance.

Mr. Martin explained the credit amounts to approximately 1,100 yards.

Mr. Silver stated the back-up is on p. 11.

Mrs. Casey and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to approve a change order credit in the amount of \$41,375.00 of the Malkin Construction contract for the unused unsuitable soil allowance. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jorgensen referred the Committee to p. 12 of the handout. He explained the change order in the amount of \$10,547.90 for the masonry at the structure lintel and support for the existing windows. He referred the Committee to p. 16 for the sketch and explanation. Mr. Jorgensen stated they were recommending to the Committee a NTE in the amount of \$10,400.

Chairman Woods asked why a NTE.

Mr. Jorgensen explained they had not had the opportunity to confirm the numbers. He explained the sketch had to do with the re-support of the window and where the roof came into it. He explained the change was 4" block to 8" block. He stated they have not been verified the numbers that were put into the change order and given the recent excellent production rate of the masons, less money would be required for this change.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve a change order to the Malkin Construction contract in an amount not to exceed (NTE) \$10,400 for the structural lintel at the corridor. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Jorgensen stated the final change order tonight for the Law Phase III was for the electrical feeder extension. He referred to p. 19 and 22 in the hand out for the back-up. He explained the change order is to extend the primary power feed to the main distribution panel in the amount of \$12,390.01

Chairman Woods asked if the figure was fair.

Mr. Silver responded yes.

Ald. Hardiman and Mrs. Casey made and seconded a motion to approve a change order to the Malkin Construction contract in the amount of \$12,390.01 for the electrical feeder extension. Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Woods asked if there were any anticipated future change orders.

Mr. Martin spoke regarding the sidewalk repairs in the front driveway loop of the school. He stated he would have additional information for the next meeting.

Chairman Woods asked if there were any other potential change orders.

Mr. Martin spoke regarding the VFD (variable frequency drives for the Phase II air handling units)  
Mr. Silver added this is a retro fit from Phase II units.

Chairman Woods asked if it is part of the project and if it would be reimbursable.

Mr. Silver responded it may not be. A brief discussion ensued.

Mr. Jorgensen stated another future change order concerned the sprinkler piping change order, which is two pieces, one to repair and another to remove the piece.

### **Status Report – Joseph A. Foran – Phase III**

Chairman Woods asked if the contractor had received a building permit for the project.

Mr. Silver responded no. He stated they would be meeting tomorrow and that there have been a lot of shop drawings which have transpired. He referred to p. 24 of the handout which showed the listing of major sub-contractors and suppliers for the project. Mr. Silver asked if the contract had been signed by the City Attorney.

Chairman Woods replied it had been received and was on the City Attorney's desk.

### **Status Report Re: East Shore Middle School – Portable Classrooms**

Chairman Woods asked where this project stood.

Mr. White stated it was his understanding the Board of Education Chairman had sent a letter.

Chairman Woods stated he would send a letter to the Board of Aldermen Chairman asking the Board to rescind their charge to this Committee.

### **Status Report Re: Pumpkin Delight Elementary School Elevator**

Chairman Woods stated not much had changed. He asked if it was the consensus of the Committee to put this off another month to see what the Board of Finance recommends. He stated the dilemma is that this project has been assigned to this Committee and that it has been funded and that the Committee could go forward with hiring an architect. Chairman Woods stated based on the letter he received from the Acting Superintendent of Schools, the Committee may wish to wait. He asked the members how they wished to proceed.

Mrs. Casey stated for the record the aspect of this school being closed is purely speculative and that no discussion has even taken place. A brief discussion ensued.

Chairman Woods noted it was the consensus of the Committee to wait until next month.

Mrs. Casey commented it really would be June since the budget process may not be completed until the end of May.

### **Consideration of Payment Requisitions**

Chairman Woods asked if the payment requisitions were in order and if payment was recommended. He stated the question still remains as to whether full payment be made to HB Communications.

Mr. Cummings stated he would rather see the Committee wait one month before proceeding with payment.

Mr. Silver stated he would recommend holding the \$840.00 and paying the balance.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve payment to HB Communications (ENO Bds) #2 in the amount of \$23,640.66 for Jonathan Law High School - Phase II – Additions/Renovations. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve payment to Malkin Construction Corporation (6) in the amount of \$649,075.00 for Jonathan Law High School – Phase III. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve payment to Silver Petrucelli Construction Admin (#7) in the amount of \$6,370.00 for Jonathan Law High School – Phase III. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve payment to Silver Petrucelli (Abatement/Lead CA #1) in the amount of \$215.00 for Joseph A. Foran High School – Phase III. Motion carried unanimously.

Ald. Hardiman and Mr. White made and seconded a motion to approve payment to Silver Petrucelli Const. Admin (#1) in the amount of \$9,215.00 for Foran High School – Phase II. Motion carried unanimously.

Being no further business, Mrs. Casey and Ald. Hardiman made and seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen K. Huber  
Recording Secretary