

COMMITTEE ON JOINT SCHOOL BUILDINGS

October 8, 1997

7:00 PM

Prior to the start of the meeting, those in attendance were given a brief tour of the locker rooms at Central High School.

Chairman Higgins called the meeting to order.

The Clerk called the roll.

Present: School Committee Members Higgins, Healy, Zebrowski
Aldermen Clancy and Domaingue

Absent: Alderman Reiniger

Messrs.: Richard Houle, Norm Tanguay, Richard O'Shea, Frank
Marinace, and School Committee Member Labanaris

Chairman Higgins addressed item 3 of the agenda:

- Middle School --
- (a) Project Summary Report (attached);
 - (b) Contractor's Report - (see attached Bonnett, Page & Stone Corp.
memo of October 1, 1997);
 - (c) Architect's Report
Change Order #02 attached;

Mr. Marinace gave a brief update relative to the request for Change Order #02 in that is concerned a safety issue relative to the sidewalk extension up to Mammoth Road of about 500 feet; that it would include granite curbing the whole length and that the amount of the change order was basically a drainage expense.

Chairman Higgins inquired as to where will the money come from to pay for this change.

Mr. Houle replied there was approximately \$169,000 still available in the contingency account.

Alderman Clancy asked if irrigation was to be included.

Mr. Marinace replied that there were two fields: field A would cost approximately \$10,599, field B was \$9,348 noting that \$16,000 had been previously approved; that the amount of \$6,132 was not covered for the Green Acres site itself thereby bringing the total to \$26,079.

Chairman Higgins asked who was the contractor who would be connecting the irrigation.

Mr. Marinace replied it was LDG.

Alderman Domaingue inquired as to what exactly would they be connecting at Green Acres.

Mr. Marinace replied it was for two sprinklers near the driveway.

On motion of School Committee Member Healy, duly seconded by School Committee Member Zebrowski, it was voted to approve Change Order #02.

(d) Discussion relative to traffic signals; and

Mr. Houle stated that at the request of Alderman Domaingue, Mr. MacKenzie had indicated to him that a study should be done relative to the traffic signals noting that the Director of Traffic, Tom Lolicata had estimated installation of lights in the vicinity of \$75,000.

Alderman Domaingue stated there was a need to widen the road as something needed to be done due to the high speeds of the motor vehicles in the area and that it needed to be controlled both before and after school. Alderman Domaingue stated that a meeting had been scheduled with the State of NH, Department of Transportation to address the issue relative to lowering the speed limit from the current 40 mph noting there had been three accidents at this site in the past three weeks.

School Committee Member Healy asked if Alderman Domaingue was talking about a red/amber/green light.

Alderman Domaingue replied she was unsure at this time exactly what type of lighting they were looking at.

School Committee Member Zebrowski stated the traffic would not change because of the staggered school times as had been mentioned by Mr. MacKenzie.

School Committee Member Healy stated he thought it was a lot money and suggested if flashers were not working, then perhaps they should go to the Police Department for enforcement of those individuals who were speeding.

Alderman Domaingue stated the Police have been in the area, however, they could not guarantee they would always be available.

Chairman Higgins asked if both Police and Traffic held meetings regarding this issue.

Alderman Domaingue replied there had been a meeting held at Green Acres recently regarding this matter.

School Committee Member Healy asked if anyone had considered lights/flashers which could be controlled.

Alderman Domaingue replied that is the other thing that had been considered in that should it be located there or at the corner or Mooresville Road noting that she did not want to see the money for the lights to come out of this budget.

School Committee Member Healy agreed stating that it could be different as a result of the staggered school openings indicating he would want to see data first.

School Superintendent Tanguay suggested that a meeting with the Director of Public Buildings Services, Director of Traffic, and Chief of Police should occur in order to address this matter.

(e) Other

Mr. Marinace stated the anticipated completion date has been scheduled for August 10, 1998.

School Superintendent Tanguay inquired as to the status of the new equipment purchases.

Mr. Marinace stated they anticipated going out to bid this winter noting they would be working closely with the School Department.

Mr. Houle suggested that the architect zero in on the equipment bidding process and providing a target date for when the bids would be due.

Mr. Marinace stated they would perhaps be in the mail the first week of January with opening to occur at the end of January.

Mr. O'Shea asked when they planned on installing the wooden gym flooring as he had had previous experience with this.

Mr. Marinace stated that was to be one of the last details taken care of in the new Middle School.

Mr. O'Shea noted that installing wooden floors in the summer especially in this area was not a good idea.

Mr. Houle stated he was aware of that, however, so long as the wood was dry and had acclimated to the temperatures, he could foresee no problems with the installation.

Mr. O'Shea suggested that they delay the installation of the wood floors till a later time.

Mr. Marinace stated he would talk to the installers regarding this matter.

Chairman Higgins addressed item 4 of the agenda:

Central/West Heat & Ventilation Improvements

(a) Project Summary Report (attached)

Mr. Houle stated that the ventilators had been delivered to Central last week and that West was expecting theirs this week noting that they would be operational by winter.

Chairman Higgins asked if there had been any major problems with this project.

Mr. Houle replied there had been a poor coordination between the School and Public Buildings Services for the delivery at Central in that he had been unaware that SAT's were being administered that Saturday and that the contractor had been noisy.

School Superintendent Tanguay stated that Princeton testing may require retesting, however, they would have to wait and see.

Chairman Higgins addressed item 5 of the agenda:

Central High School/Locker Room Improvements

- (a) Project Summary Report (attached)
- (b) Eclipse Construction, Inc. - letter of September 29, 1997 (attached)

Chairman Higgins noted that the punch list showed the project to be 98% complete.

Mr. Houle stated they were holding \$23,000 at this time pending the outcome of repairs and/or replacement to those new lockers which had been installed improperly and were slightly damaged; that the damage occurred when the contractor tried to fix the original problem and would not accept it until such time as all of the lockers are the same and operational.

Chairman Higgins addressed item 6 of the agenda:

West High School/Special Ed Room 104

- (a) Project Summary Report (attached)

Mr. Houle stated that it was expected that the room was to be useable by October 13th.

On motion of School Committee Member Healy, duly seconded by School Committee Member Zerbrowski, it was voted to approve Change Order in the amount of \$19,840.00 for two separate toilet rooms (one ADA compliant unisex and one for females in an adjacent and abandoned toilet room).

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion ensued relative to a memo dated September 26, 1997 from Bob Bullard regarding the Middle School intercom system notifying concerned parties that the operation and maintenance characteristics of utilizing a Simplex intercom system are not compatible with the other schools suggesting a closer look into the system by concerned parties.

Mr. Houle stated that discussions had been held with the Architect, Frank Marinace who had indicated to him that the general contractor had already bought the equipment.

Alderman Domaingue inquired as to why Mr. Bullard had not been included in any of the discussions involving this system.

Mr. Houle replied he had no idea why he had not been invited.

Chairman Higgins asked if there was any possible way in which to fix the problem as outlined by Mr. Bullard.

Mr. Houle stated that he would discuss this matter with Mr. Marinace tomorrow to see if there was a possible solution.

Alderman Domaingue suggested that Mr. Bullard be invited to attend perhaps the next meeting as the two letters (memo from Mr. Bullard and memo from Vic Reno of Reno Engineering & Light Design) appeared to be contradictory.

Mr. O'Shea noted caution could be taken and a closer look at both systems including the life cycles and costing basis should be taken into consideration.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, on motion of School Committee Member Healy, duly seconded by School Committee Member Zebrowski, it was voted to adjourn.

A True Record. Attest.

Clerk of Committee