

Sutton School Building Committee

Regular Scheduled Mtg., Wednesday, 4/11/12, 7:06 PM
Town Hall, 3rd Floor Meeting Room

Present: K. Stuart, R. Raymond, M. Hopkins, T. Harrison, J. Smith, D. Davis, T. Friend, R. Weaver.

Absent: W. Mead, M. Jerz, G. Coulter, M. Bailey

Guests: A. Minkus (SBS), T. Alix (SBS), Jon Winikur (SBS)
V. Dubé (Flansburgh Assoc.), D. McClelland (Flansburgh Assoc.)

I. Minutes of previous meeting. Motion to approve by Ted Friend, second by Donna Davis.
Vote to approve: 4-0-4

II. Finance Sub-Committee Update:

Tim Alix presented and reviewed a report of the change orders and additional expenditures approved to date, as requested at the previous meeting. As of this date, nine (9) changes and additional expenditures have been approved, totaling \$306,892.00. The 4/11/12 report accompanies these minutes.

Jon Winikur added that this total equates to about 25% of the contingency budget, as was reported at the previous meeting. In this context, Jon commented on procedural changes at MSBA which have resulted in renaming or reclassification of some line items to other categories. One effect has been to have some expenditures declared as ineligible for reimbursement, which SBS and Tim Harrison believe will eventually be deemed as eligible. A series of questions from several committee members prompted further clarification.

Tim Harrison presented an update of his report on payment requests and reimbursement status through 3/27/12, copy of which accompanies these minutes. Both Tim and Jon pointed out that many of the larger expenditures that are ineligible for reimbursement relate to the modular structure and site work and were known. Tim further commented that reimbursement for 55% of the TLT invoice amounts is consistently being received within 3 weeks after submittal.

Jon offered that the cost of the project being less than originally approved – with the resulting need to apportion the savings between the town and the state – has contributed to the delay. However, he was confident that, as the reclassification process is completed by MSBA, some of the previously rejected expenditures will be deemed eligible for reimbursement. Tim Harrison will resubmit at the appropriate time.

III. Construction Update

Prior to proceeding with this update, Jon Winikur presented a review of the project to date, noted in topic category IV below. Returning to this topic, Tim Alix reviewed and commented on the SBS report of 4/11/12, copy of which accompanies these minutes.

- IV. As noted above, Jon Winikur presented a Project Update, dated 3/12/2012, which provided a synopsis of the project to date. Starting with a pre-design aerial view of the campus and proceeding through design stage, installation of the modular structure, demolition of the Middle School and the steel work presently approaching completion, the review provides a useful perspective on what has been accomplished and what remains. Members of the committee expressed appreciation for the presentation.

The update is posted on the front page of the school department website, www.suttonschools.net. (Note: For anyone reading these minutes 50 years hence, that was considered to be “state-of-the-art” technology in 2012.) The committee encourages town residents to access the update.

- V. Old Business/New Business

No old business to discuss.

Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, May 2, 2012. 7:00 PM at Town Hall.

- VI. Motion to adjourn made by Ted Friend. Second by Roger Raymond. Motion passes unanimously. 8:13 PM.

Ross Weaver, Recording Secretary