

Joint Building Committee (JBC) Meeting for City Bonded School Projects

Date: April 13, 2020

Time: 8 AM start

Location: SAU 56 Office Conference Room

Present: Councilor Marty Pepin (in person), Councilor Marty Dumont (attended remotely), School Board Member Tom McCallion (attended remotely), Facilities Director Karl Ingoldsby (attended remotely), School Board Member Gerri Cannon (attended remotely), (Superintendent Robert Gadomski (attended remotely), Assistant Superintendent Lori Lane (in person), Business Administrator Katie Krauss (attended remotely), Austyn Shea and Mark Hatfield from Milestone Construction (attended remotely), Cris Salomon from Samyn-D'Elia Architects (attended remotely), and Maple Wood Principal Devin McNelly (attended remotely).

Pepin called the meeting to order at 8:01 AM. A motion to accept the meeting minutes from the March 30, 2020 JBC meeting was made by McCallion. Seconded by Dumont. VOTE: Motion passed, unanimously.

Project Update – Maple Wood School Project, Phase 2:

Hatfield said that Milestone has mobilized at Maple Wood and have started excavation. He said the footings have been dug and that they are making steady progress. The biggest question Milestone has right now is when they will have access to the rest of the school building. The plan had always been to start work on the music room because that would not disrupt the school day. However, with school buildings being shut down because of the COVID health crisis, will there be an opportunity to move into the school building and start the interior work sooner. Gadomski said that he will be speaking with the school board at their next meeting to discuss what the end of the school year date will be. There is still much up in the air regarding whether or not staff and students will be allowed back in the school building. We are awaiting more information from the Governor's Office on the stay-at-home order.

Salomon said that as the excavation started, they found that part of the school's foundation is a concrete block foundation instead of one made out of poured concrete. They have asked for the project's engineer to review this to see if they need to explore this future in case any patching is needed, etc. He said that it is likely fine because it has held up thus far, but has asked the engineer's opinion to make sure.

Salomon said that the shop drawings are in process and that tile and carpet samples will be coming shortly. They are looking at "quick ship" flooring options so that we can move forward in a timely manner. We will need to schedule on site meetings to review the samples and make decisions.

Salomon said that at the same time, moisture testing is also going to be done to make sure there aren't any concerns. They should have the test results back a few days after the testing is completed.

Budget Update – Maple Wood Project, Phase 2:

Lane said that on April 9th, the district received a letter from Amy Clark at the Department of Education that we had now met all of the requirements to be issued the first payment of the school building aid. Gadomski stated that our first payment of building will be received in the next few weeks. That amount, \$669,865.50 will need to be spent between the receipt of the payment and June 30, 2020. The rest of the building aid will be sent to the district after July 1, 2020.

Lane said that the GMP approved by the JBC at the last meeting has been executed between the district, Milestone and Samyn-D’Elia. Now that we can start spending funds, regular budget updates will be coming in future meetings.

Project Update - SMS Elevator Project:

Salomon said that the geotechnical engineering study has been completed. A lot of silt was found under the school, up to 80 feet down. He said that this wasn’t a surprise because of the analysis of the site that they’d already done. As a result, they will need to figure out the best solution. Dumont asked what the solution will likely be. Would weighting the elevator from the top of the building be an option? Salomon said that loading the elevator from the top wouldn’t be an option – that is typically done in large buildings that are designed for this. He feels confident that they can come up with a solution for this. Pepin asked if this would affect the projected budget. Would we need to add additional funds? Salomon said that they anticipated that we would have to deal with this issue so the existing budget was constructed with sufficient funds.

Salomon said that his office has been working with Stanley Elevator and are finalizing drawings.

Budget Update – SMS Elevator Project:

Shea said that a GMP will be coming, but has not been finalized yet. There will be a process to secure the necessary subs and then the GMP will be prepared for the JBC to review and give final approval.

Other Items:

Shea said that construction meetings will be starting this week on Wednesday at 2:30 PM. The meeting will take place at Maple Wood School and a video meeting option will be available.

Salomon said that Josh Riley has left Samyn-D’Elia for another position.

The next JBC meeting was scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2020 at 8 AM. This will be a video conference meeting.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Dumont, seconded by Cannon to adjourn. VOTE: motion passed, unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Lori Lane
Assistant Superintendent*