

**REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 17
PUBLIC BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING
July 08, 2020**

A meeting of the Regional School District 17 Public Building Committee was held on Wednesday, July 08, 2020 via Google Hangouts Meet Video Conference (Live Stream).

Members Present: Graig Judge, Jim Duffield, Eileen Blewett and Peter Sonski, Chair

Members Absent: Sean Donlan

Also in Attendance: Haddam-Killingworth High School Principal, Donna Hayward, Haddam-Killingworth High School Student, Director of Athletics, Lynne Flint, Principal of Burr District Elementary School, Brienne Whidden, Lead Maintenance for RSD17, Rob Albert and Director of Operations for RSD17, John Mercier

Call to Order/Opening of Meeting: Mr. Sonski called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Agenda Item #2 - Minutes of June 10, 15 and 18th Meetings: Motion made and seconded (Judge/Blewett) to approve minutes of June 10, 15 & 18 meetings. Approved 3-0-1 (Duffield abstained).

By unanimous consent, Committee members agreed to move the Agenda Item #3c discussing Potential Legal Action to the bottom of the agenda for discussion in an Executive Session.

Agenda Item #3a & 3b - Fieldhouse Project, Operations Director's Report & Architect Report Project Status:

Mr. Mercier and Mr. Hibbard reported on the HKHS Fieldhouse Renovation Project. The remediation and floor removal were completed within five weeks rather than the expected four weeks. The environmental assessment was completed and the site certified safe by Fuss & O'Neill. Construction work will begin soon, including installation of replacement lighting and an updated emergency warning system, with the expectation that the project will be substantially

completed and the gymnasium available for limited use by the opening of the 2020-21 Academic Year.

In the absence of James Marenzana of Friar Architecture, Mr. Mercier presented proposals from AES Remedial Contracting in Southington, CT for the replacement of Underground Fuel Storage Tanks at KES (2) and BES (1). The firm is on the CT Department of Administrative Services approved vendor list and company representatives performed a site survey recently to assess the scope of work.

Agenda Item # 4a - KES/BES Underground Tanks, Project Bid:

Members questioned BES Principal Whidden, Mr. Mercier and Mr. Albert about their experience with a recent tank replacement project at HES and whether they were concerned about the construction activity taking place, predictably, at the start of the new academic year.

Motion made and seconded (Blewett/Judge) to approve an AES Remedial Contracting proposal to replace two underground tanks at KES, not to exceed \$250,000. Approved unanimously.

Motion made and seconded (Duffield/Blewett) to approve an AES Remedial Contracting proposal to replace the underground tank at BES, not to exceed \$130,000. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #5 – Invoices: No invoices were presented for action.

Motion made and seconded (Blewett/Judge) to go into an Executive Session, inviting Mr. Mercier, Mr. Hibbard and Mr. Albert, for the purpose of briefing on potential legal action. Approved unanimously.

Agenda Item #3c - Fieldhouse Project, Potential Legal Action*:

The Committee went into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. It returned to regular session at 7:20 p.m..

Adjournment: Mr. Sonski adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.