

WEBSTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE TUESDAY, 6:00 PM OCTOBER 18, 2022

Present: Dave Hurton - Chairman - *Voting Member*  
Ted Avlas – *Vice Chairman Member - Voting Member*  
Al Young - *Voting Member*  
Lisa Kontoes - *Voting Member*  
Gina Nieves - *Voting Member*  
Ruthann Goguen - Superintendent  
Monique Pierangeli – Asst Superintendent for Business & Finance  
Richard LaFond - *Town Administrator*

Absent: Ted Tetreault - Building Inspector  
Tim Bell - Town Accountant  
Sheila Blythe – *School Committee Voting Member*  
Tony Paranto - *Voting Member*  
Ryan Collins - Principal

Attendees: John Bates - Colliers  
Kent Kovacs - Flansburgh  
Rob Potish - Flansburgh  
Derek Osterman - Colliers

**I. Call to order:** Mr. Hurton called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**II. Approval of Minutes for September 20, 2022:**

**Approval of minutes as amended.**

Motion – Mr. Avlas

Second – Ms. Kontoes

Vote: Yes – 5; No – 0; Abstain - 0

**III. OPM Update**

**OPM Report:**

Mr Bates introduced Derek Osterman who will be replacing Mr. Guyette as he transitions out.

Mr. Bates reviewed the OPM Monthly report updating the committee on the contract amounts and where the budget stands to date.

**Design Development Binder Review**

Mr. Bates stated the designer development information was shared with the committee which included most of the documentation. The cost estimates still need to be added as they are still in the process of being reviewed.

**Update on Cost Estimates:**

Mr. Bates stated that the OPM and the Architect had an 8 hour cost estimate meeting and the costs were showing a large increase due to the economy. The estimates between the two parties were very close and the reconciled amount came in at \$79,826,000 million which is approximately \$10 million over the initial construction cost of \$69,750,000 million. Both parties agree that this is not due to anything other than the current market conditions; there has been no change in the scope of the project.

Mr. Kovacs of Flansburg stated they are seeing this on many projects that they are working on. They are working behind the scenes looking deeper at the project and work through the scope in phases.

Derek Osterman from Colliers stated that he believes a conversation needs to be held with the MSBA to review the project funding. The overages are happening across the state with the current market right now and this isn't unique to Webster.

**IV. Potential Vote to proceed with Submitting the DD Submission to MSBA**

No vote was held. More information is needed and it will be addressed at the November 1st meeting.

**V. Approval of Warrant:**

**Motion: To approve the warrants from October 16, 2022 in the amount of \$28,950.00.**

Motion: Ms. Kontoes

Second: Ms. Nieves

Vote: Yes – 5; No – 0; Abstain - 0

**VI. Next Meeting Date:** Tuesday, November 1, 2022

**VII. Adjournment:**

Motion to Adjourn 6:35 pm

Motion: Ms. Kontoes

Second: Mr. Young

Vote: Yes – 5; No – 0; Abstain - 0

Respectfully submitted,  
Monique Pierangeli