

Greenwich Board of Education Minutes of the GHS Front Entry Committee Meeting

DATE: June 12, 2024

LOCATION: GHS and Virtual via Zoom

TIME: 8:00 am

Committee Members Present:

Stephen Walko - Chairman

Maureen Bonanno-Secretary

Ashley Cole

Stephanie Cowie

Karen Hirsh (BOE)

Leslie Moriarty (BET)

Ex-Officio Members Present:

Craig Amundson (RTM)

Ralph Mayo (GHS Principal)

Others Present:

David Stein (Silver Petrucelli)

Mike Lampel (Wernert)

Max Wernert (Wernert)

Bob Washburn(Silver Petrucelli)

Jim Giuilano (CSG)

Not Present:

Dennis Yeskey (**P&Z**)

Brent Reeves (BOE - Central Office)

Lauren Rabin (Board of Selectmen)

Louis Contadino

Steven Swidler (BOE Staff)

Will Schwartz (DPW)

Dan Watson (BOE- Central Office)

Jake Allen - Vice Chairman

- **Call to Order:**

- The meeting was called to order by Mr. Walko at 8:00 a.m.

- **Project Update:**

- Mr. Lampel started with an update on the project noting that the curtain wall is complete, the finish work inside is continuing, they met with the mill worker regarding the security desk and the exterior planting work has begun.
- Ms. Cowie asked about the brick installation and Mr. Lampel responded that work would take place in late July/early August.

- Mr. Wernert stated that they are planning for the site work, including the sidewalk curb replacement and asked to take over the front circle after school is out for the summer. Mr. Mayo confirmed that they can begin that work on the 24th. Wernert will provide a plan and present.
 - Mr. Wernert noted that they updated the project schedule which was emailed around and noted that the surveyors are coming next week to stake out the curb lines for the sidewalk work and the benches and tables are scheduled to arrive the first week of August.
 - Mr. Wernert stated that the greenwall is an issue and Mr. Lampel noted that just to buy the materials is \$6K and we have been quoted a price of \$14K per each 8 foot section. Ms. Cowie noted that this is much higher than the original estimate and asked if we could look into different materials that would cost less.
 - Ms. Cole stated that she had a donor at the lower cost, but doesn't think they would do it at this cost and Mr. Lampel will look into ways in getting the cost down.
 - Mr. Walko stated that given there were some reservations about the greenwall in terms of the ongoing maintenance and since it is an add on, we should focus on the current project, especially if we are deviating from the type of materials.
 - Ms. Moriarty asked about the schedule and the difference between the baseline and the projections and Mr. Wernert responded that the dates are a little skewed, but the projections are behind, and he believes that the site work should still be finished by mid August, and he will refine the line items that are behind.
 - Ms. Moriarty asked if there were any delivery delays and Mr. Lampel responded there were none. Mr. Wernert stated that they are currently painting the ceilings and putting fixtures in and floor down and confirmed there were no material issues.
 - Mr. Washburn gave an update from the architect noting that they are making great progress with the interior work and exterior work as well. He added that they had a coordination meeting about the millwork for the security desk.
 - Mr. Stein suggested we begin to loop in Dan Watson and his team to review and coordinate the security equipment start up.
- **State Reimbursement Update:**
 - Mr. Giuliano noted the state reimbursement payment of \$292,655 came through in May and he will forward the information to Ms. Moriarty and they will now begin work on next payment request for the state.
 - Ms. Moriarty noted that there are some changes on Munis that need to be modified.

- **Approval of Invoices:**

Motion was made by Ms. Cowie and seconded by Ms. Bonanno to approve the Wernet invoice in the amount of \$161,464.41. The motion was approved. *The Motion Passed 5-0-0.*

- **Motion to Approve Minutes:**

Motion was made by Ms. Cowie seconded by Ms. Moriarty to approve the minutes from May 29th. The motion was approved. *The Motion Passed 5-0-0.*

- **Moving Forward:**

- Mr. Amundsen asked about the next BET report, which will be presented in July and Ms. Moriarty stated that she will have a report by July.
- Mr. Mayo stated that there should be no workers there on graduation day, June 18th.
- Ms. Cole suggested that we discuss a ceremony or celebration for the project completion.
- The next meeting will be on July 10th.
- The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Moriarty at 8:25 am.

Submitted by Maureen Bonanno on July 5th, 2024