

REMSEN CENTRAL SCHOOL
SPECIAL BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
JULY 31, 2018 – 4:30 P.M.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Lou Allen, James Reilly, Mark Williams, Brian Parent

MEMBERS ABSENT: Sonya Murray

OTHERS PRESENT: Rebecca Dunckel-King, Lou D’Ambro, Thomas Waldron, Catherine Chandler, Ann Marie Benedict and Bob Proulx of King + King Architects, Jack Roepnack of Construction Associates, LLC,

Mrs. Mary Lou Allen, Board President, called meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance recited by all present.

No public participation.

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award general contract to the low bidder, National Building & Restoration Corporation, Utica, NY in the following amount:

Base Bid	\$2,348,000.00
Alternate #2	21,000.00
Alternate #4A	160,000.00
Alternate #4B	182,000.00
Alternate #5	24,000.00
Alternate #6	33,000.00
Alternate #7	<u>31,000.00</u>
	\$2,799,000.00

Mr. Reilly stated that without a report from the District's financial advisor (BPD Inc), the Board does not know what the actual cost to Remsen taxpayer for the work will be. About two years ago King and King pushed the Board vote approve a project plan without information from BPD. BPD later informed the Board that the proposed project would cost more than the District had budgeted.

Bob Proulx explained that a 10% contingent is built into the project for an unforeseen issues. Mr Reilly explained that the 10% contingency budget included state aid and the District's contingency budget is only 1.65%. The work on the old bus garage is not aidable. The old bus garage potential cost overrun of \$300,000.00, based on King and King and Construction Associates estimates, already exceeded the District's contingency budget.

Bob Proulx explained what each alternate is. During Mr Proulx's explanation, the Board realized that the names of the alternates listed by King and King in their letter recommending contract award (dated 27 July 2018) and the names of the alternates listed in the Board resolutions did not match the names of the alternates in the in the bid documentation or in the proposal documentation.

Mr. Reilly wants to award the base bids only and vote on alternates at the August board meeting. He wants a schedule of values before his votes on alternates. He is comfortable with the base bids, but not alternates until said schedule of values is received.

Vote – 3 yes; 1 no – J. Reilly

Mr. Reilly voted "no" because the Board of Education has not been provided the schedule of values calculations from the school's financial advisors and because the names of the alternates in the resolution did not match the actual bid documents and/or proposals. The Board of Education does not know what the true cost is and, in his opinion, is not meeting its fiduciary responsibility.

Mr. Reilly proposed the Board approve just the base bid and wait to vote on alternates when the schedule of values is received.

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award plumbing contract to the low bidder, H.J. Brandeles Corp., Utica, NY in the following amount:

Base Bid	\$266,500.00
Alternate #4A	52,000.00
Alternate #4B	40,000.00
Alternate #5	<u>14,000.00</u>
	\$372,500.00

Vote – 3 yes; 1 no – J. Reilly

Mr. Reilly voted "no" based on the reasons stated above.

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award HVAC contract to the low bidder, Schmalz Mechanical Contractors, Inc., Utica, NY in the following amount:

Base Bid	\$1,549,000.00
Alternate #4A	21,200.00
Alternate #4B	13,100.00
Alternate #5	<u>4,400.00</u>
	\$1,587,700.00

Vote – 3 yes; 1 no – J. Reilly

Mr. Reilly voted "no" based on the reasons stated above.

Motion by Brian Parent, second by Mark Williams:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award Electrical contract to the low bidder, S. C. Spencer Electrical, Inc., Constableville, NY in the following amount:

Base Bid	\$619,000.00
Alternate #4A	11,200.00
Alternate #4B	16,400.00
Alternate #5	1,700.00
Alternate #11	<u>18,600.00</u>
	\$666,900.00

Vote – 3 yes; 1 no – J. Reilly

Mr. Reilly voted "no" based on the reasons stated above.

Motion by Mark Williams, second by Brian Parent:

“RESOLVED, that the Board of Education award Roofing contract to the low bidder, PTL Contracting Corp., Theresa, NY in the following amount:

Base Bid	\$1,117,000.00
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Vote – 3 yes; 1 no – J. Reilly

Mr. Reilly voted "no" based on the reasons stated above.

Motion by Mary Lou Allen, second by James Reilly to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

