

WELLINGTON SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES

March 13, 2009

School Administration Building Conference Room

7:30 AM

Meeting #33

Present: Mark Haley, Pat Brusch, Karen Pressey, Phil Curtis, Gerry Missal, John Bowe, Ike Papadopoulos, Denis Fitzpatrick, Lucy Pullen

Absent: Mary McHugh, Greg Poulos, Amy Wagner

Observing: Scott Stratford, Anne Helgen, Laurie Slap, Tony Oberdorfer

Mark Haley, Chair, opened the meeting at 7:40am reporting that the past two weeks have been very active with negotiations on revised cost estimates. The current schematic design has been modified to make the wings more compact with shorter corridors; and wood floors have been changed to VCT tiles. Savings of \$3.3M were identified, bringing construction costs to \$296/square foot. MSBA won't fund demolition, excavation, and site remediation. Also, moving/relocation costs are not reimbursable. Following a discussion on project costs, Mark stated the MSBA is committed to a 40% reimbursement rate at \$275/square foot—approximately \$12.4M to be funded of a total \$40.6M budget. We should know today if Belmont will be on the agenda for the upcoming March 25 MSBA Board meeting—no meeting was held in February.

Pat said that WBC should request to be on the Board of Selectmen's agenda to request a debt exclusion vote and to put this on a Town Meeting warrant. A Town Meeting appropriation has to be done before a debt exclusion vote. The committee discussed options for a May or June vote.

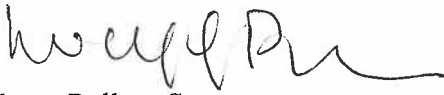
Mark brought invoices requiring approval from the committee. Town Counsel has an invoice for \$75; Pat made a motion to approve payment, seconded by Mark, committee approved. JLA submitted a contract revision of \$58,900, updated because of the Daedalus cost estimating services. An invoice is due now for \$37,834. Karen moved to approve the bill, Phil seconded and committee approved. Mark proposed that we ask JLA not to exceed \$50,000 on their current contract; Phil moved to approve recommendation and Karen seconded; committed approved recommendation to JLA contract.

Pat reported that JLA has received a lot of praise from MSBA and other school districts for his schematic design for a new Wellington; in particular for his detailed design and cost estimates on energy efficient mechanical systems—he had engineers estimate both cost of the system and operating costs. MSBA commented that it was the first time a project design showed realistic costs to design a green system.

Gerry reported that an RFP will go out for modular design services for temporary classrooms.

Mark made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20am.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lucy Pullen', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Lucy Pullen, Secretary