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Meeting #174

Committee Members Attending: John Bowe, Patricia Brusch, Laurie Graham, Mark Haley, Bill Lovallo, Heidi Sawyer, Eric Smith

Liaisons Attending: Amy Spangler

Clerk: Chris Kochem

Guests: Floyd Carman, Frank Martin, Sarah Forrey-Pettit (Wellington School administrative intern)

Mark Haley, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:32 a.m.

MSBA Update

Mark Haley reported on a telephone conference between Mark, Pat Brusch, Lee Devoux (MSBA) and other MSBA representatives. The process of getting the issues with the MSBA resolved is very slow and tedious.

Floyd Carman, Town Treasurer, said that, from a town perspective, the Wellington currently has a negative cash position of \$108,665. Mr. Carman said that the MSBA has approved invoices which would result in a reimbursement of \$839,637. However, this amount has been on hold since March 2013. Of this amount, approximately \$600K is a 5% portion that will not be released until the final audit is completed. Mr. Carman would like the MSBA to reimburse the remaining balance of \$239,000 to the town.

From a town of Belmont perspective, Mr. Carman said that at least \$200,000 needs to be released by the MSBA by June 30, 2014 or this money could become a 'hit' to the town's free cash. Mr. Haley and Mr. Carman agreed that the short term goal is to get PMA to step up and do the tasks that need to be done regarding the reimbursement, including re-categorizing contingency charges and filing a Budget Revision Request form, so that the MSBA will make the payment to the town.

Mark Haley will set up a meeting next week with Chris Carroll of PMA to confirm the tasks that need to be done by PMA. Other expected attendees at this meeting will be Floyd Carman, Frank Martin and Gerry Boyle.

Floyd Carman, Frank Martin, and Laurie Graham left the meeting at 7:55 a.m.

Pat Brusch reported that the MSBA has a 'new' agreement, which changes the way that change orders are reimbursed, that they want the WBC to sign. This agreement is new to the WBC and was not part of the original approvals from MSBA. This is very confusing as the MSBA states that the result will be more items being eligible for reimbursement. PMA has dealt with this agreement on another project so

she would like PMA to work with the WBC to ascertain that the new agreement would be more advantageous to the WBC.

Building Update - Acoustics

Preliminary sound testing will still be done in the cafetorium but they will not do the acoustical work until after July 1st.

Boston Society of Architects (BSA) Design Awards

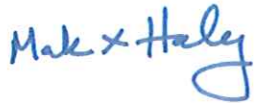
The Wellington School was recently awarded three different awards by the BSA:

- Harleston Parker Medal (this annual award recognizes the single most beautiful building or other structure built in the metropolitan Boston area in the past ten years).
- Honor Award for Design Excellence
- K-12 Facilities Honor Award (recognizes design excellence in K-12 facilities).

The Board of Selectmen tentatively plans to recognize these awards at its March 10th meeting.

Eric Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 a.m. The motion was seconded by Pat Brusch and unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark Haley
Chair