

**Greenwich Board of Education**  
**Minutes of the New Lebanon Building Committee Meeting**

**DATE:** Wednesday, July 25, 2018  
**TIME:** 8:00 - 8:45 am  
**LOCATION:** 25 Mead Ave, Job Site Trailer

**Committee Members Present:**

Stephen Walko - Chairman  
Bill Drake - Vice Chairman (BET)  
Patricia Baiardi Kantorski - Clerk  
Peter Bernstein (BOE Chair)  
Clare Kilgallen  
Jake Allen  
Brian Harris  
Dean L. Goss

**Ex-Officio Members Present:**

Will Schwartz (DPW)  
Nick Macri (P&Z)  
John Toner (Selectman)  
Christina Downey (RTM)

**Others Present:**

Ryszard Szczypek (TSKP Studio)  
Jesse Saylor (TSKP Studio)  
Karrie Kratz (Gilbane-Project Executive)  
Jae Chu (Gilbane-Project Engineer)  
Dan Watson (DOF-BOE)  
Barbara Riccio (NL Principal)

**1. Call the meeting to order**

- a. The meeting was called to order by Steve Walko at 8:00 am.

**2. Update from Chairman**

- a. Steve Walko said that the budget was on target regarding the contingencies.

- b. The committee discussed the pros and cons of using grass pavers in the front and side of the school grounds. Steve Walko said the Town must maintain and plow the grass paver roadway for use by fire trucks. Given this issue, it would be better to use a stamped asphalt or concrete in these areas of the driveway. Brian Harris suggested that gravel be use, but this idea was rejected for maintenance reasons. Patricia Kantorski suggested substituting brick or stone pavers for grass pavers, but this idea was rejected for cost considerations. Brian Harris then suggested using stamped asphalt or concrete. Ryszard Szczypek said TSKP Studio will show examples of stamped pavement and estimate the cost differential.
- c. Steve informed the committee that the estimated budget of \$170,000. did not include the cost for the playground equipment.
- d. Steve Walko said the only major issue, except any unknown conditions which may be discovered during demolition of the existing school, was the use of sod. Mr. Walko noted that because there will not be an irrigation system in the playing field it would be better to use sod then grass seed. The use of grass seed would also make the ball field unusable for one year.
- e. Steve Walko said he had spoken to Peter Robinson at the building department and learned that Amendment #2 was approved by the town.

### **3. Update by Gilbane**

- a. Karrie Kratz discussed the Scope of Work and the Contingencies.

### **4. Discussion & Vote on color of Gym Concrete Block**

- a. The committee discussed the color of the concrete block in the interior of the gym. Jesse Saylor made a slide presentation of the color of the interior and exterior of the concrete block in the gym. Mr. Saylor said when the dark grey color of the concrete block was approved for the exterior of the gym, it was understood that the interior would be the same color. He added that all the concrete block to be used was already delivered to the site and if it were to be changed to light grey for the interior of the gym it would cost an extra \$75,000. Peter Bernstein asked how this oversight regarding the interior color happened. Ryszard Szczypek said that the specifications had been written for the dark grey to be the same for both the interior & exterior and it was approved in the shop drawing stage. Karrie Kratz added that any change to the color would take an additional one to two weeks to accomplish. Brian Harris asked if the block could be treated to lighten the color. Mr. Szczypek said that it could but it would be a challenge. Mr. Harris then suggested that the stage curtain be a lighter color then originally planned and colorful acoustic panels be added. Mr. Saylor said TSKP Studio would look into stage curtain colors. Mr. Saylor showed examples of the

lighter and darker block and said a lighter color mortar could be used on the interior.

- b. A Motion was suggested by Steve Walko to approve a Change Order to change the color of the interior concrete block from dark grey to light grey. No motion was made.

#### **5. Discussion on color of Acoustic Tiles**

- a. Jesse Saylor made a slide presentation of the interior walls of the cafeteria. The committee discussed the colors and confirmed that the colors of the acoustic tiles would be several shades of green.

#### **6. Discussion of Next Steps**

- a. Steve Walko informed the committee that an extra meeting in August maybe required to vote on the FF&E.
- b. Steve Walko said the bids for the landscaping, including the 40 extra trees, was within the estimated amount and will be on the agenda for the next meeting.
- c. Clare Kilgallen addressed the committee on the August Community updated newsletter..

#### **7. Adjourn**

- a. The meeting was adjourned by Steve Walko at 8:45 am.