

East Providence School Department
East Providence Building Committee - EPHS
June 12, 2023

The East Providence Building Committee met on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the library at Martin Middle School. Members in attendance: Nathan Cahoon, Co-Chair, Joel Monteiro, Co-Chair, Superintendent Forand, Bill Black, Alfred Villeneuve, Gene Oakland, Steven Amoroso, Christopher Murphy, Robert Weygand, Craig Enos, Jenni Furtado, Nicholas Shattuck, Robert Rodericks and Manuel Vinhateiro. Anthony Feola and John McNamee were absent. Sam Bradner and Erik Andrutis were also in attendance.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Monteiro called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

II. OPM Update

Erik Andrutis provided a general overview of the high school project. Meetings continue every Tuesday with the sub-committee. On-site and virtual team meetings are held with Gilbane to discuss open items, as well as building committee meetings. Construction on the high school is 98.1% complete based on work in place. M/WBE is 14.5% of the total projected cost of the project and holding solid. The mast arm on Pawtucket Avenue is an open item. There was a design review meeting with the City on May 19, 2023, bid advertisement on May 25th, bid opening scheduled for 6/22/23 with bid award/notice to proceed on 6/28th. Mr. Murphy will attend the bid opening on June 22. Construction to start July 17th with a goal to be completed prior to the first day of school. There are twenty-two open items left from twenty-eight items in May.

Mr. Bradner discussed the budget details. Budget is moving relatively slowly with the final available funds which is 95% expended. By next month or August the latest, they will be able to close out the remaining open items and know what the remaining available funds will be.

III. Acceptance of OPM Report

Motion by Mr. Oakland, seconded by Mr. Amoroso and carried by unanimous consent to accept the Owner's Project Manager's Report as submitted. The budget report is included in the OPM report.

IV. Open Items with Gilbane Building Company

Mr. Steve Duvel, Senior Vice President and Division Leader with Gilbane, addressed the five most important open items: 30" drain line; bioretention area A and bioretention B; bioretention area F; concrete heaving on site; and fire pump controller. He provided the Committee with a copy of open items. He has been actively involved with these issues for several months and apologized for the slow process as it relates to the final closeout. Eight of the twenty items are administrative and are not field work. Everything will be completed in the month of July.

There are two TBD items on the punch list: Backstop pad for the softball field and the 11th month warranty walk which needs to be scheduled.

With regard to the 30" drain line, progress has been made in the last thirty days. The foundation was safe and a stamped letter was received from PA engineer to verify the pipe is adequate. Mr. Duvel stated that the compaction was sufficient for the light pole and the pipe installation is sufficient and will be reviewed by GZA. Mr. Duvel stated that the GZA report identified that the pipe was not seated correctly and that contributed to the failure of the pipe. The light pole has been rescheduled for next week and will take about three weeks before it is operational.

There was some discussion on the final determination of costs and will be reconciled after these items have been completed. DiGregorio hasn't been compensated for the work done and that most of the items removed from the list in the past thirty days have been from DiGregorio.

Work to remove the heaving sidewalks, repair subgrading will be completed no later than July 8, 2023. The fire pump controller issue has been resolved with a software update.

V. Approval of Invoices

Ai3 Extra Services - \$29,575.00
Peregrine Group, LLC - \$6337.50
Construction Invoices Total - \$283,632.34
Furniture, Fixtures & Equipment - \$82,150.84

Motion by Mr. Vinhateiro, seconded by Mr. Weygand and carried by unanimous consent to approve the May 2023 invoices as submitted.

The invoices will be presented to the School Committee for their approval on June 13, 2023.

VI. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Mr. Oakland, seconded by Dr. Forand and carried by unanimous consent to approve the May 8, 2023 minutes as submitted.

VII. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will be held on Monday, July 10, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the library at Martin Middle School.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion by Mr. Oakland, seconded by Mr. Amoroso and carried by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 6:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon Corsi
Administrative Assistant

Joel Monteiro, Co-Chair
Building Committee

Nathan Cahoon, Co-Chair
Building Committee