# Minutes School Building Committee Regular Meeting December 16, 2014

PRESENT: Kimberly Alfultis, Tom Amanti, Tom Dembek, John Koning, Jody Nazarchyk, and Alan Wilensky

STAFF: Jerome Belair, Superintendent; Jay Miner, Director of Buildings & Grounds, Andre Hauser, Waterford High School Principal; Bob Sirpenski, Director of Finance and Operations.

#### I. ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Wilensky established a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:33p.m.

## II. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Wilenksy recognized that Erik Bartone, President, DBS Energy, and Gary Lane, Vice President, DBS Energy were in attendance, as well as Ron Fedor, Chariman of the Board of Finance, Dennis Goderre, Town Planner, and Maryanna Stevens, Town Director of Finance.

#### III. CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATIONAL ITEMS.

#### IV. SUPERINDENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Belair briefly commented on the financial statements provided by Maryanna Stevens and reported that after this meeting there would a positive balance of \$886,017 in unutilized funds.

#### V. OLD BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 18, 2014

MOTION: That the Waterford School Building Committee moves to approve the minutes of the November 18, 2014.

Nazarchyk, Alfultis- Unanimous

2. Mrs. Nazarchyk wanted to take the time to thank Mr. Miner for his work on getting a new door for the booster club and replacing the faucet. She said that it was working out very nicely. Mr. Wilensky had a concern about the amount of lighting outside the B canopy, and Mr. Miner assured him that he was in possession of a light that is to be installed by the BOE electrician.

#### VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Mr. Barone and Mr. Lane expanded on the Solar Energy Proposal they had given in the November School Building Committee meeting. Waterford Public Schools have previously worked with DBS Energy on the exterior lighting at all Waterford Schools and a Solar Energy Project at Quaker Hill Elementary which has proven to be very beneficial and cost effective. Mr. Bartone and Mr. Lane provided the committee, as well as the others in attendance, schematics of potential panel placement and updated financial reports. The gentlemen were able answer questions about maintenance and upkeep of the equipment. They explained the financial break down of the project including all potential costs, and potential returns on the investment in the years to come. Should this be completed under the Waterford High School project, it would eligible for reimbursement at a rate 32% and a BSF grant of approximately \$305, 000. Mr. Bartone explained that the pro forma is based off the net cost of \$664,000 and could potentially yield 1.6 million dollars in savings and sales of renewable credits. Mr. Goderre indicated that the Town is just beginning, in the early stages, the research of potential solar fields. he indicated that the First Selectman Steward wants the Town to explore Solar Energy

at no cost and there are options out that that would not involve any Town investment. Mr. Bartone and Mr. Lane acknowledged that option and cautioned the Town to do its homework prior to going down that path. Mr. Fedor registered concern since oil is so cheap right now, perhaps there is no guarantee the projected savings won't be realized. he also felt that waiting 11-12 years for a return on your investment is not a great return on your investment. Mr. Wilenksy stated that the SBC has always come in under budget with a school construction project and this proposal will put the project to fully expended. The Committee will place this item on hold until the Town has more information regarding the no cost option.

#### VII. CONSENT AGENDA- WATERFORD HIGH SCHOOL CHANGE ORDERS:

- 1. VanZelm Engineers, invoice #0040313, in the amount of \$6,812.00 for professional services at WHS for period ending November 1, 2014.
- CJ Fucci Change Order # 73 to reconcile the unutilized allowance and close their contract in the credit amount of (\$179,757.52)
- 3. HHS Mechanical Contractors Inc. CO # 128 to reconcile the unutilized allowance and close their contract in the credit amount of (\$141,453.77)
- 4. Lincoln Aquatics, for the purchase of new portable pool stairs, at the price of \$4,346.75 plus shipping and handling.
- 5. Builders Hardware, to install hollow metal doors, for the amount of \$4,032.00

MOTION: To add the additional item to the consent agenda.

Nazarchyk, Alfultis- Unanimous

MOTION: To consider all five consent agenda items.

Alfultis, Nazarchyk- Unanimous

Mr. Miner explained that the current pool stairs are starting to delaminate and need to be replaced, hence the need for item number 4. He also explained that the doors for the pool area never arrived, and in order to swap them out with the current doors requires specialized hardware and installation, as stated in item number 5. These doors are already on site and will be installed over the holiday break.

#### WATERFORD HIGH SCHOOL

## **Construction Report Waterford High School: Jay Miner**

Mr. Miner reported that the high school has received the last of the tree shipment and everything had been staked out. He also noted that the rear parking lot paving was completely finished and that everything was finishing up nicely.

#### Pending Items:

**HVAC** 

#### VIII. BILL LIST

MOTION: To accept the revised bills list as presented.

Nazarchyk, Alfultis- Unanimous

# IX. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: That the Waterford School Building Committee adjourns the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

Alfultis, Dembek - Unanimous

# IX. Bill List December 16, 2014

| School | Stage | Vendor                         | Description               | Invoice #       | Amount       |
|--------|-------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| WHS    | n/a   | The Home Depot                 | B&G Director's Office     | 11/19/2014      | \$23.16      |
| WHS    | n/a   | The Home Depot                 | B&G Director's Office     | 12/4/14         | \$238.72     |
| WHS    | n/a   | Lowe's                         | B&G Director's Office     | 12/5/14         | \$396.11     |
| WHS    | n/a   | Allied Restoration Corporation | Roofing                   | 07858           | \$2,400.00   |
| WHS    | n/a   | C&C Concrete                   | Loading Dock              | 1018            | \$600.00     |
| WHS    | n/a   | Electrical Wholesalers         | B&G Director's Office     | S102787291.001  | \$61.57      |
| WHS    | n/a   | Fast Signs                     | Directional Signage       | 586-420701-3207 | \$2,540.00   |
| WHS    | n/a   | Hastedt Brothers LLC           | Paving                    | 6320            | \$52,700.00  |
| WHS    | n/a   | Project Adventure, Inc.        | Project Adventure         | PO6259950105    | \$678.48     |
| WHS    | n/a   | Project Adventure, Inc.        | Project Adventure         | PO6259950104    | \$2,429.88   |
| WHS    | n/a   | Ring's End                     | B&G Director's Office     | 513632          | \$338.45     |
| WHS    | n/a   | VanZelm                        | Professional Services     | 0040313         | \$6,812.00   |
| WHS    | n/a   | Ruby Glass                     | B&G Director's Office     | 12/8/14         | \$68.75      |
| WHS    | n/a   | H.H.S. Mechanical              | Fire Protection, Plumbing | 00041           | \$248,484.43 |
| WHS    | n/a   | CJ Fucci Construction          | Site work                 | 00031           | \$17,951.98  |

\*preapproved