



FACILITIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

February 6, 2018

Meeting Minutes

In attendance: Paul May, Dirk Danker, Dane Rankin, Catherine Ward, Heather Guido, Steve Burton, Jeanne Keane, Bob Spatz, Dr. Alicia Evans & Lou Anne Johannesson

Absent: Darryl Baker, Dr. Carol Kelley,

Also in attendance: Jennifer Costanzo / STR Partners, Peter Kuhn / Bulley & Andrews, Jason Stonchus / Bulley & Andrews

May called the meeting to order at 7:03pm.

1. Bid Package #2 - Kuhn stated that Bulley & Andrews reviewed all bids and made recommendations on lowest bids. The committee was told that the District's attorneys advised throwing out the excavation and site utilities bids, and re-bid them as a combined package. The result, as FAC predicted, showed significant savings. May asked if the Village had any issues with the water and sewer work. Costanzo said no. Three of the packages will need to be re-bid due to lack of responses: general trades, mill work & glazing. Kuhn stated that it would take a week and a half to have them amended. Rankin asked about the high cost of masonry work. Kuhn reported that it is due to the fact that there are some issues with the work on the south end, the cafeteria. The area is very tough to work into existing structure. May asked if there were any exceptions or qualifications. Kuhn stated no, but that one of the plumbing bids did not include life/safety work. May asked if there were any issues with any of the contractors. Stonchus and Kuhn both replied no. All of the contractors are familiar to Bulley & Andrews. Guido asked about the 26% difference on gypsum. Kuhn stated that they have reached out to get a lower price. There was a design add-on of an acoustical roof screen on the cafeteria. Rankin asked why the roofing was so high for the additions. Keane reported that the number also reflects roofing work being performed at Irving, Hatch, Brooks and Julian. Kuhn stated that the three re-bids and bid package #3 will be ready to go out in late February to be opened Mid-March and will go to the Board on March 13th. May asked if the re-bids will hold up the schedule. Kuhn said no. Spatz asked when the project will break ground. Kuhn stated that the following weekend, fences will go up and a work trailer will be delivered. The next week Nicor will begin its work. Ground breaking is on schedule to begin in early March as scheduled. May asked about permitting. Kuhn stated that all permits are in now in the Village's hands, but Costanzo stated that there are no problems predicted. Spatz asked if Jasculca (Communications Director) has been sending updates to the Holmes Community. Dr. Kelley stated yes, the District has been in continued contact with all stakeholders including a dedicated website and "Let's Talk" page. Spatz asked if after summer 2018 all life/safety work would be complete. Evans replied all but Lincoln and Longfellow. That work will be performed in 2019 along with their building expansions.

FAC voted unanimously to accept the recommendations contained in Bid Package #2.

2. Landscaping: Keane reported that McAdams is no longer under contract with the District. She is currently reviewing the scope of last year's bid. She believes that realistically in order to receive the results that she and Evans would like to see, the \$45,000 bid should truly be around \$90,000. She will be recommending using pesticides in order to grow grass/turf 2 time a year while students are not in session. Both Guido and Spatz warned of push back. Guido stated that some districts use them and clearly post their use. Keane stated that there is virtually no way to maintain grass without them. Dr. Kelley remarked that there are studies that show school beautification has a correlation to student performance. She advised that Keane use that information in any public discussion on pesticides. May agreed and suggested that Keane ask District 90 and 200 if they apply pesticides. Keane also suggested maintenance the care of turf areas to every 10 days to save costs. (It was every 5 days under previous contract.) She also stated that thatching would not be necessary if actual aeration is done. She also will be suggesting dead tree removal, and continual trimming of trees and shrubs to provide light for grass/turf growth. She would also like to see truck watering to control muddy areas. Spatz stated that at least Longfellow has its own irrigation system. Keane stated they do not. It was removed quite a while ago. It had not been maintained. Guido asked that Keane contact the Village to ask about using the free mulch they provide for around shrubs and trees. Keane will look into it, however, it will not be an option for playgrounds, they need specialty mulch. May suggested a warranty for all new plants. He asked about the length of a new contract. Keane suggested a three year contract with possible one-year extensions. Keane will bring back to FAC her revised landscaping specifics when available.

3. Fiber: Evans reported that the District will be entering into a formal IGA with the Village for fiber networking. The day prior to the meeting, all bids were rejected and the project is temporarily on hold. She will have the head of the technology department meet with FAC when there are bids to review.

4. CAP-X: The workgroup will meet in Mid-February to begin the revision of the 10 year plan. Danker asked about climate control, in light of the passed referendum. FAC informed Bulley & Andrews and Keane that they had done extensive work on this issue a few years back. May suggested she speak to member Baker (absent) to discuss the issue. Climate Control is his field of expertise.

4. Adjournment: 8:23pm