

SPECIAL PROJECTS STANDING BUILDING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, May 24, 2010—5:30 pm

First Floor Conference Room, Independence Hall

FINAL MINUTES

Members Present: Richard Speciale, Miriam Frank, Pam Iacono, Len Amato, Al Kelly

Members Absent: Lee Hyde, Gerard Keough

Others Present: Judy Ewing, Sal Morabito, Tom Cullen, Eileen Roxbee, Ted Ostrowski, and Donald Smith, Jr., Consulting Engineer

I. Call to Order

Chairman Richard Speciale called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

Pam Iacono made a motion to approve the minutes. Len Amato seconded the motion. Mr. Speciale asked Sal Morabito to continue to follow-up and learn if mistakes were made during the original construction involving M Space. The motion carried unanimously.

III. Status of Unfinished Checklist Items at Osborn Hill and Roger Sherman Elementary Schools
Donald Smith, Jr., Consulting Engineer, distributed two detailed drainage reports for Osborn and Sherman schools. He reviewed the information on the first page of the Osborn Hill report, and then referred to photos and elevation information included in his report. At Osborn Hill, there were two issues: one involved a 500 sq. 60 deep accumulation of water; the other was the result of water overflowing onto the walkway. Mr. Smith said that simply correcting the grade could result in several smaller puddles. He suggested installing an outlet pipe and a catch basin and piping the water out to the ball field. The other alternative would be to remove the asphalt and regrade the area, but it might not remove the water satisfactorily. To do the preferred work would first require doing test pits to locate the utilities.

At Sherman School, water accumulation near the canopy could create a health and safety issue, and could possibly freeze in the winter. A catch basin could be installed, but not easily as the depth of existing drainage has to be determined and equipment usage in a very tight area could be a problem. Al Kelly asked about the drain requirements. Mr. Smith replied that the grate would be ADA compliant at both sites. He said the plan would need to include the roof leaders and the installation of a 6" pipe that could accommodate water for up to a ten year storm. An application to the Conservation Commission would be required due to the proximity of the regulated area.

Mr. Speciale asked if there was a possibility that a substitute for a concrete catch basin was used at Osborn School. Mr. Morabito said he would find out. Mr. Smith commented on the amount of ledge by the bank. Mr. Speciale asked if extending an asphalt curb along the berm from the stairway to the property line would help. Mr. Smith thought that it would keep the soil from eroding onto the pavement and prevent silting of catch basin from occurring. He also recommended grading and seeding the area behind the berm.

Miriam Frank asked about the relative cost of both projects. Mr. Smith estimated that the piping would run \$30-\$40 per foot for 95', \$20 per foot for patching, and \$3,000 for a catch basin. He figured \$5,000 - \$6,000 for each job. He also estimated asphalt curbing costs at \$4-5 per foot. The Committee requested a revised report with cost estimates. Mr. Smith said he would prepare sketches and get pricing.

Mr. Kelly made a motion to direct Donald Smith to provide sketches to the construction manager to provide a catch basin with a longer run of pipe to beyond the other side of the cistern, as recommended by Donald Smith, Jr., Consulting Engineer, with a deduct alternate to tie into the existing roof drain piping at Sherman. Ms. Iacono seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Regarding Osborn Hill, Mr. Kelly made a motion to direct Donald Smith to provide sketches to the construction manager for a catch basin and a pipe that will run out toward the ball field with a deduct alternate for about 175 lineal feet of black tar curbing from the chief wall to the gate. Ms. Iacono seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Mr. Speciale asked about getting a quote from M Space which had agreed to pay for \$5,000 of the work. Mr. Morabito said he thought it would cost more because they were from out of the area. He said he would contact them for an estimate.

A question was asked about the next meeting at the end of June. A Special Meeting was suggested.

IV. Discussion on Transportation Memo for Demolition and Removal of Portables

Mr. Speciale read a memo from Mr. Morabito describing demolition work to be done at the Transportation Office site. The total cost was \$1,900 to be paid by the BOE.

Mr. Kelly made a motion to accept the memo, dated May 13, 2010, for the removal of the existing structure down at the transportation site by the BOE in lieu of the SPSBC providing funding to do that work. Len Amato seconded the motion which carried four in favor and Ms. Iacono abstaining.

V. Review Change Orders/Approve Invoices

An invoice from John Fallon had been submitted that evening to Mr. Speciale. There were questions about some missing elevations in one of the reports and the amount of the invoice which was \$3,440. The matter was deferred to another meeting.

VI. Public Comment

Eileen Roxbee, Sherman Principal, reminded the committee that SmartBoards were part of the original project. Judy Ewing commented on the possible delay of the work at Sherman due to the application to the Conservation Commission.

VII. Adjourn

Mr. Amato made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:26 pm. Ms. Iacono seconded the motion which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer S. Carpenter
Recording Secretary