

MIDDLE SCHOOL JOINT BUILDING COMMITTEE

DATE: DECEMBER 19, 2012
SUBJECT: **REGULAR JBC MEETING #60**
LOCATION: PORTSMOUTH CITY HALL, SCHOOL DEPARTMENT BOARD ROOM
TIME: 7:00 P.M. OR THEREAFTER

MINUTES

- I. CALL TO ORDER –Co-Chair Legg called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
- II. ROLL CALL : CO-CHAIRS DWYER AND LEGG
CITY COUNCIL MEMBER SMITH
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS STEVENS AND WALKER
CITIZEN MEMBERS CARRIER AND MIDDLETON
NON-VOTING MEMBERS CITY MANAGER BOHENKO,
PRINCIPAL STOKEL, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR BARTLETT,
CLERK OF THE WORKS HARTREY
- III. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES – A motion was made to accept the minutes of December 12, 2012, by Ms. Stevens
SECOND: Ms. Walker
DISCUSSION: None
VOTE: Unanimously Approved
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE – None
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT – None
- VI. OLD BUSINESS
- PARROTT AVE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE – Mr. Weathers reported that the work on the 1930's building renovation is continuing. Steel has arrived on site, the roof was completed and sleeper and slab issues are being addressed. Pier remediation and research into the possibility of jacking the settlement out of one wing is ongoing
- Mr. Roberts from JCJ Architecture explained the relationship of the old BOCA code to the new International Building Code as it relates to seismic requirements, reassuring the committee members that both the new construction and renovation work were consistent with current building code.
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
- Jeff Nawrocki from JSN Associates stated that the determination was recently made that the settling issue in one wing of the 1930's building was not a result of soil conditions as first thought. Excavation around several concrete piers revealed that the piers have deteriorated, possibly the concrete never cured. There are several options

for remediation, but he is suggesting the use of marine grade pressure treated wooden piers as a cost effective long term solution. He indicated that it is possible to jack up a portion of the building to reduce the settling. Methods and costs are being researched.

Several members asked question regarding installation methodology and longevity. Mr. Nawrocki agreed to provide more information regarding longevity at a future meeting.

Co-chair Dwyer asked how many piers would need remediation. Mr. Weathers indicated that at this point it appears most of the 31 piers could need treatment reinforced.

Co-chair Legg asked if there were any concerns about jacking up the building. Mr. Nawrocki indicated that costs were still being investigated and it could become cost prohibitive. Additionally the exact results are not a sure thing, as soft soil conditions could limit the results.

The floor leveling in the affected wing on the 2nd and 3rd floors is limited due to the limitations of the existing floor joist system. Leveling could take place on the 1st floor.

Regarding the BOCA code asked at a previous meeting, Doug Roberts from JCJ Architecture explained that the building is designed to current IBC 2009 code which does address seismic issues in existing buildings. Design changes are triggered when her is a change in occupancy type.

Mr. Roberts also assured the committee that the current design does take into effect best practices for school building security.

VIII. MANIFEST – A motion to authorize a manifest in the amount of \$ 8,070.68 was made by Ms. Walker

SECOND: Mr. Smith

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Unanimously Approved

A motion to authorize a manifest in the amount of \$ 331,457.10 was made by Mr. Smith

SECOND: Ms. Walker

DISCUSSION: None

VOTE: Unanimously Approved

IX. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS –. The next meetings are scheduled for January 9th and the 23rd.

X. ADJOURNMENT – Motion to adjourn at 8:45 p.m. by Mr. Smith

SECOND: Ms. Walker.

VOTE: The motion was approved.