

Arlington High School Building Committee Meeting
Tuesday, January 21, 2020
AHS-School Committee Room-Sixth Floor
6:00 pm

Present: Jeff Thielman, School Committee Representative, Chair
Kathleen Bodie, Superintendent, Co-vice chair (absent)
Adam Chapdelaine, Town Manager, Co-vice chair (absent)
Kirsi Allison-Ampe, School Committee Representative
Francis Callahan, Community Member Representative
John Cole, Chair, Permanent Town Building Committee (absent)
Tobey Jackson, Community Member Representative
Matthew Janger, AHS Principal
Ryan Katofsky, Community Member Representative
Brett Lambert, PTBC Representative
Kate Loosian, Community Member Representative
Michael Mason, APS Chief Financial Officer (absent)
William McCarthy, AHS Assistant Principal
Judson Pierce, Community Member (absent)
Sandy Pooler, Deputy Town Manager
Paul Raia, Disabilities Commission Representative (absent)
Brian Rehrig, Capital Planning Committee Member (absent)
Amy Speare, Community Member Representative
Shannon Knuth, Teacher Representative
Kent Werst, Teacher Representative
Avery Spellmeyer, Student Representative

Also present: Dale Caldwell, Victoria Clifford, Skanska Inc.
Lori Cowles, Arthur Duffy, Melissa Greene, HMFH Architects, Inc.
John LaMarre, Todd McCabe, Consigli Construction

Call to order: 6:00 p.m.

A moment of silence was held for Superintendent Bodie's father, Richard Bodie.

Public Participation

Howard Muise, Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) expressed concern on two items that were removed from the project plan as a result of value engineering: the elimination of the Minuteman Bikeway and the elimination of the traffic signal at Mill Street and Mill Brook Drive. He requested that those items be restored if funds become available and that a car analysis be conducted for further review on the Mill Street traffic light.

Grace Carpenter stated that the walk from Mass Ave to preschool entrance is a long walk, will there be any access through the high school. Yes, access will be available through the front door of the high school (per Matt Janger).

HMFH Update

- Review MSBA DD Submission

Lori Cowles briefly reviewed the DD submission.

- Vote Approval of DD Submittal to MSBA

On a motion by Sandy Pooler seconded by Amy Spear it was unanimously:

Voted that the AHS Building Committee authorizes HMFH Architects to submit the AHS Building Project Design Development Package to MSBA.

- Review CD Phase Work Plan

The building committee will meet the first Tuesday of the month - the six subcommittees will meet in between monthly meetings.

Reviewed meeting schedule.

Parmenter Update

Subcommittee prequalified a total of 43 bidders from the 7 filed-sub trades

There will be a walkthrough on January 29th, bids are due on February 5th

Skanska held a logistics meeting with Parmenter tenants and stakeholders

There will be a memo that will go out to Parmenter abutters and ACC parents

Skanska will meet with the Superintendent, Town Manager, Communication staff in the coming weeks.

Consigli Update

- Early Bid Package of 48" line, SOE, Utilities, Geowells McPhail will test geothermal wells beginning in early March, Consigli finalizing needed plans.

- Temporary earth retention wall will be part of the early bid package and will take place in June.
- February 5 bids to request to release scope of work will be available to the committee at the February 6th meeting.
- Temporary field tank to maintain heat in the bldg.3
- Fencing up March 1st.
- Discussed timeline on elevator at Parmenter

Subcommittee Reports

- Communications - Community forum is scheduled for Tuesday, February 4th. The primary audience will be high school parents, neighbors and abutters.

The theme will be what to expect on the construction site in the next 3-6 months.

- Creating a number of blogs to be published.
 - Will revisit when there will be more informational forums.
 - Think about groundbreaking ceremony
- Finance - none
 - Interiors - none
 - Landscape & Exteriors - met on January 14th and will meet before the February 6th meeting.

Lori reviewed slides at schematic design, design documents and current design and

pointed out the changes in the facade as a result of value management decisions.

Kirsi Allison-Ampe is concerned that the current building is not what people are expecting and may not be happy. Kate Loosian stated that the subcommittee requested a much more detailed study of both entrances to see if it was possible to have the curved cornice again.

- Memorials - continues to catalogue materials and will schedule another meeting.
- SMEPFP working on a blog post - met rep from eversource electric on their make ready program and how we can take advantage of it at the site. Planning 19 parking spots on Schouler Court. *Four spaces except for the charger (Eversource will pay for everything) more spaces in the west parking lot will be available at a later date.*
- Security - none
- Temp Use-Phasing - Bill McCarthy discussed the adjustments that need to happen for next year due to lack of access to the front of the building. The main office, guidance office, and nursing offices (for ambulance access) will be moved into the current preschool area. Existing spaces will become classroom spaces (old guidance) play structure will be removed and become visitor parking.

Approval of Minutes

On a motion by Ryan Katofsky seconded by Frank Callahan it was unanimously:

Voted to approve the meeting minutes of November 5, November 19, December 9, December 10, 2019.

New Business

Matt Janger will have LifeTouch studios and AHS Art teacher (David Moore) take pictures of the AHS building and site before construction begins.

On a motion by Sandy Pooler seconded by Bill McCarthy it was:

Voted to adjourn @ 8:20

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