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Building Committee Minutes 10-29-2002

APPROVED

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
 MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 PERMANENT TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE
 TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2002

PRESENT: John Cole, Chairman Robert Juusola
 William Shea, Vice Chairman Suzanne Owayda (arrived 6 p.m.)
 Thomas Caccavaro Charles Stretton
 Kathleen Donovan

ABSENT: Richard Bento Philip Farrington

PARTICIPANTS: Dick Madonia, Project Manager
 Michael Black, Castagna Construction
 Stefan Chaires, DRA
 Alan Brown, Principal – Stratton School
 Michael McCabe, Principal – Thompson School

CALL TO ORDER: 5:30 p.m. (K. Donovan's Office)

PEIRCE SCHOOL UPDATE – M. BLACK/D. MADONIA

- Mr. Black reported that the building project was into the final inspection phase. ADA-required exterior ramps and handrails are several of the few remaining items. The final punch list was done today on architectural issues. The punch list is minimal at this point. By the end of this week, Mr. Black thought that they could get a certificate for substantial completion once the handrails are installed. The landscaping is finishing up now, but there is an issue with regard to the grass seed. Due to several delays the seed has not been done, and because of the weather at this late date the seed will not take. Mr. Black suggested that the committee share the additional cost with the contractor to install sod. Otherwise, the seed could not be done until next April.

- On a **MOTION** by Mr. Shea and seconded by Ms. Donovan, it was VOTED to **wait until the spring to seed the exterior grounds**. VOTE: Unanimous (The committee did not want a credit. The work will go out to bid.) (Ms. Owayda was not present for vote.)

- On a **MOTION** by Ms. Donovan and seconded, it was VOTED to **approve requisition no. 14 for September and October in the amount of \$435,066.08 for Castagna Construction**. ROLL CALL VOTE: Unanimous (Ms. Owayda was not present for vote.)

ARCHITECTURAL INTERVIEWS

The four architectural finalists chosen to be interviewed by the committee for the design of the Stratton and the Thompson Schools were:

1. 6:00 Lamoureux-Pagano Associates
 Representatives: Richard Lamoureux
2. 7:00 Flansburgh Associates
 Representatives: Sidney Bowen
 David DeFillipo
 Stan Garini
3. 8:00 Design Partnership of Cambridge
 Representatives: David Finney
 Joe Brown
4. 9:00 DRA
 Representatives: James Barrett
 Stefan Chaires
 Amy Findlayson
 Kevin Leivian
 Paul Moore

- Before ranking the firms, the committee discussed each firm based on their individual preparation, project approach, and presentation.

- The committee VOTED to **rank the architectural firms as follows:**

1. **Design Partnership of Cambridge**
2. **Flansburgh Associates**
3. **DRA**
4. **Lamoureux-Pagano**

References will be checked on the #1 and #2 finalists. Mr. Juusola will request a fee proposal from Design Partnership of Cambridge for next Tuesday's meeting.

PRESENTATION – TOWN MEETING

- The committee will seek a consensus from Town Meeting on the Dallin School project as to whether they will vote in the spring to go forward with the construction even though the town does not have funding and may have to wait 4-5 years for funding.
- The concern of the PTBC is the risk involved in spending the design money now so that DRA can complete the services currently being negotiated for the Dallin restart and Town Meeting decides in the spring to delay the project.

PARK CIRCLE FIRE STATION

- The PTBC is currently involved in fee negotiations with the Carrell Group.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- On a **MOTION** by Mr. Shea and seconded by Ms. Donovan, it was VOTED to **go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters related to personnel issues and to come out of Executive Session for the purpose of adjournment.**
ROLL CALL VOTE: Unanimous