

Public Building Commission  
November 12, 2014  
Sidewalk and Chimney Repair Committee Meeting

Members Present: Mr. Jim McKenney, Committee Chairman  
Mr. Ed Hill, Public Building Commission

Others Present: Mr. Dan Marseglia, Cheshire Public Schools  
Mr. Vin Masciana, Cheshire Public School

Mr. McKinney called the meeting to order at 8:00 AM

**I. \$250,000 Appropriation for 2013-14 for Chimneys, Masonry and Sidewalk Replacement and Repairs**

Discussion was held regarding remaining balance of \$34,974.46 in the capital account from the \$250,000 appropriation from fiscal year 2013-14 for Chimneys, Masonry and Sidewalk Replacement and Repairs. Mr. Masciana had advised the sub-committee members previously by email that in his opinion the best option for the \$34,974.46 remaining balance is to use those funds for the stated purposes since the appropriation does not expire and that it is likely the funds for sidewalk work which can be used at Norton or Doolittle or Humiston will likely be needed at some point in the future.

Mr. McKenney made a motion which was seconded by Mr. Hill and unanimously approved to request that Mr. George Noewatne completes a project summary for the appropriation used and further informs the Town Council that the funds are to be held to be used for future projects in accordance with the appropriation language at Norton and/or Doolittle and/or Humiston.

**II. \$150,000 Appropriation for 2014-15 for District Wide Sidewalk and Masonry Repairs**

Mr. Marseglia presented pictures and explained that the priorities for sidewalk replacement for the summer of 2015 were Cheshire High School, Dodd Middle School, Highland Elementary and Chapman Elementary. A discussion ensued and it was agreed Detour Construction did an excellent job with the sidewalk work the past two summers.

The Committee members indicated that they would be in favor of recommending a bid waiver to the Public Building Commission if Detour was willing to hold the same price as the last two summer and, if not, the sidewalk project should go out to bid. Mr. Marseglia will contact Detour and the second lowest bidder from the 2013 bid to obtain prices for the Committee's consideration.

Mr. Marseglia presented pictures of failing masonry walls at Cheshire High School, Dodd Middle School and Highland Elementary which he indicated are priorities for repairs. The Committee asked Mr. Marseglia to obtain a proposal from William E. Jacques, the Construction Engineer who provided services for the chimney improvement projects the past two years, to provide specifications and guidance for the needed repairs.

### **III. Other Matters**

The Committee recommended that the school district plan and budget for the future installation of the chimney liner at Cheshire High School which was recommended for replacement within the next three years.

Discussion was held regarding the possible alternatives to extend the life of sidewalks including sealing the concrete, using sand versus snow melt, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 AM

Submitted by

---

Vincent J. Masciana  
Director of Management Services  
Cheshire Public Schools  
203-250-2424