

HIGH SCHOOL- ADDITIONS AND RENOVATIONS

S.P.N.042-0041 RNV

BUILDING COMMITTEE

Special Meeting

East Hampton Town Hall

20 East High St., East Hampton, CT 06424

Tuesday, June 27, 2017

Minutes

Committee Members Present: Sharon Smith, Chairperson, Michele Barber, Vice Chairperson, Tom Seydewitz, and Roy Gauthier

Committee Members Not Present: Stephen Karney, Michael Zimmerman, Cynthia Abraham, and Alternate Members David Ninesling and Thomas Cooke

Also Present: Robert Hart, Colliers International (CI); Glenn Gollenberg (SLAM); Don Snyder and Steve Melanson of Snyder Engineering; Mike Filanda, Water Tester

Call to Order: Chairperson Smith called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m..

Public Remarks: None

Water Discussion:

Review of Aeration Study Results: The study results provided seem to be inconclusive and showing no pattern or improvement; possible theories for this were discussed in detail. Scientific details of the treatments along with anomalies in the data were discussed with Snyder.

Review of Snyder's Engineering's Report and Recommendation to the State DPH:

Snyder's report states that raising the pH level alone, via aeration, does not adequately minimize the copper levels. Their recommendation is to provide aeration and chemical adjustment to minimize the threat of copper corrosion. This is accordance with the CT DPH and Federal EPA guidelines. Moving forward with the aeration and chemical treatment would essentially give the Committee all the tools to effectively manage the copper levels in the water.

The question was raised by Chairperson Smith if the State might give an extension on the June 30 deadline for the plan. Mr. Snyder stated that it may be possible. It was suggested that they use the time in the plan to do nothing to see if scaling develops naturally in the pipes until halfway through the school year; if they get to a future point

(October and January were discussed) and see that it is not working then try the chemical. A possible testing schedule was discussed. The State's rejection or acceptance of this plan was discussed in detail.

The concern of the logistics of getting an aeration system installed later in the year, if needed, after Downes has left the premises. It was stated that the project will not be accepted as completed until this issue is resolved. Also discussed was the possibility of having the custodians/school staff on board to flush the water system.

Review and Possible Approval of Snyder Engineering's Proposal for Corrosion Treatment System: Discussion turned to installing an aeration system and the logistics and timeline of such. Design details of this and the building to house the system in their proposal. No action was taken on this item at this time.

Discussion of Plan Going Forward: The plan as written can be submitted, though installing the aeration and/or chemical treatment systems will be delayed, as the State is giving 18 months for the plan to be implemented. Sampling will occur for the next few months, and if the copper levels are not improved then the system will be installed well within the 18 month time frame. State response is expected in a month.

A copy of Snyder's written report will be forwarded to the Building Committee.

Sub-Committee Reports: None

Public Remarks: None

Next Meeting – July 20, 2017 @ 5:30 p.m., East Hampton Town Hall

Adjournment:

At 8:20 p.m. a motion was made by Chair Smith to adjourn; seconded by Vice Chair Barber. Motion passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Eliza LoPresti
Recording Clerk
(Not present at meeting)