

Special Meeting Minutes
Farmington High School Building Committee Meeting
ZOOM
Friday, November 15, 2024
12:30 P.M.

Attendees:

Meg Guerrera, Chair
Beth Kintner
Chris Fagan
Michael Smith
Wendy Ku
Johnny Carrier
Kathy Greider, Superintendent of Schools
Dan Zittoun, Asst. Superintendent of Finance & Operations
Matt Ross, Director of Technology
Sam Kilpatrick, Director of School Facilities
Russ Crist, FHS Principal
Kat Krajewski, Assistant Town Manager
Russ Arnold, Project Manager
Devon Aldave, Clerk of the Committee
Archana Pai, TSKP Studio
Michael Scott, TSKP Studio
Nelson Reis, O&G Industries
Jessica Ramos, O&G Industries

A. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 12:32 P.M.

B. New Business.

1) To approve Proposed Change Order 174R in the amount of \$1,313,753.43.

Russ Arnold reviewed PCO 174R- Replace Existing Grandstands & Press Box with the committee.

Committee members asked various questions regarding whether funds for the replacement and expansion of the bleachers and press box were included in the original project. Russ Arnold explained that this was not included in the original project scope and that this is an addition.

Committee members asked what the benefits are for doing this work now as opposed to as a capital project down the line.

Russ stated the benefits include:

- The FHS Building Project still has a strong contingency fund and will remain strong even after this approval.

- Including this replacement and expansion of the bleachers and press box as part of the FHS Building Project will make it eligible for reimbursement from the State of Connecticut.
 - Our Owner's Representative has advised that this addition is in line to receive at least half of our typical reimbursement rate, as the replacement and expansion was included in the educational specifications.

Russ also explained that approval of this motion would enable the Town to place an order for the bleachers which would allow installation of the new bleachers to begin in the Summer of 2025, prior to the start of the next school year. If this motion is delayed, it would result in delaying the delivery and installation of the bleachers until the Fall of 2025, which would disrupt the FHS Football season.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Smith/Ku) it was unanimously VOTED: to approve Proposed Change Order 174R in the amount of \$1,313,753.43.

C. Other Business.

None.

D. Adjournment.

Upon a motion made and seconded (Smith/Ku) it was unanimously VOTED: to adjourn at 12:49 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Devon Aldave
Clerk of the Committee