
**JOINT SPECIAL SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2021
VIA ZOOM (Teleconference)**

An online meeting of the JSSBC was held at via Zoom on **Thursday, February 4, 2021**. Alderman Dowd called the meeting to order at **6:30 p.m.**

Present: Alderman Dowd, Alderwoman Harriott-Gathright, Alderwoman Klee, Ms. Bishop, Ms. Brown, Ms. Giglio, Ms. Johnson, Ms. Raymond

Also Present: Mr. Parker, Mr. Smith, Mr. Lemarier

Everyone present stated why they were participating remotely, where they were, and that they were alone.

*This meeting can be watched in its entirety at:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWdqRrhSiw8>*

*Referenced documents can be viewed at:
<https://www.nashuanh.gov/AgendaCenter/Search/?term=&CIDs=37,&startDate=02/02/2021&endDate=02/28/2021&dateRange=1%20month&dateSelector=2>*

Alderman Dowd

As Chairman of the JSSBC, I find that due to the State of Emergency declared by the Governor as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic and in accordance with the Governor's Emergency Order #12 pursuant to Executive Order 2020-04, this public body is authorized to meet electronically.

Please note that there is no physical location to observe and listen contemporaneously to this meeting, which was authorized pursuant to the Governor's Emergency Order. However, in accordance with the Emergency Order, I am confirming that we are providing public access to the meeting by telephone, with additional access possibilities by video or other electronic means. To access Zoom, please refer to the agenda or the City's website for the meeting link. To join by phone dial: 1-929-205-6099; Meeting ID: 813 3069 4632; Password: 159554.

We previously gave notice to the public of the necessary information for accessing the meeting through public postings. Instructions have also been provided on the City of Nashua's website at www.nashuanh.gov and publicly noticed at City Hall and the Hunt Memorial Library. If anybody has a problem accessing the meeting via phone or Channel 99, please call 603-821-2049 and they will help you connect. In the event the public is unable to access the meeting via the methods mentioned above, the meeting will be adjourned and rescheduled. Please note that all votes that are taken during this meeting shall be done by roll call vote.

APPROVAL OF SITE CONSTRUCTION BID FOR PENNICHUCK MIDDLE SCHOOL

Alderman Dowd

We only have one item on our agenda tonight.

Mr. Lemarier

For every bid package I'll do a brief scope description of the work we'll be performing. I'll address a number of bidders that we solicited, and then I will recommend the contractor that we want to award the contract to for the project. So tonight, we want to get the Site Work Package awarded. This package includes site preparation and demolitions, the storm water protection plan, all site utilities, paving, all excavations and backfill needs, traffic signs, and bollards. So this is an all-encompassing number.

For the bid process we solicited bids from seven contractors. We received two bids, and another dropped out at the 11th hour due to scheduling requirements. We did get two numbers, and we're recommending Pichette Brothers Construction out of Manchester, NH. They also performed the enabling site utility work there this fall, so they're very familiar with the job site. They also performed all the site work at Fairgrounds Middle School, as well. So we're recommending them for the Site Work Package for a value of \$1,873,002.00. In that number, is also included a \$38,000 allowance for any unsuitable soils we may encounter. So, we do have a base bid number carried to cover all the additions, but this is just in case... to cover ourselves if we do encounter anything else.

Alderman Dowd

So just for clarification, if we don't find anything, we won't be spending that \$38,000.

Mr. Lemarier

That's correct.

Alderman Dowd

This contractor was low bidder, and we have a lot of experience with them, and they do good work. So the low bidder is \$1,873,002, and the other bidder is substantially higher at \$2,216,439.63. So if there are no questions on this bid, I'd like to entertain a motion to award the contract.

MS. RAYMOND MOVED TO AWARD THE SITE WORK CONTRACT FOR PMS TO PICHETTE BROTHERS CONSTRUCTION OF MANCHESTER NH, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,873,002.

SO VOTED BY ROLL CALL. (7-1; Nay: Ms. Johnson)

Alderman Dowd

Ken, anything else?

Mr. Lemarier

No, thank you everyone for meeting again tonight.

Ms. Johnson moved to adjourn. **So voted at 6:46 p.m.**

Submitted by Jacki Waters