

*School Building Committee*

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
SCHOOLS BUILDING COMMITTEE  
March 18, 2021**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chair Brown called the meeting to order at 4:02pm, a quorum was present.

**II. ATTENDANCE**

(Voting Members Bold)

**Marcus Brown – Co-Chair – City Council**

**Aidee Nieves – Co-Chair – City Council**

**Ernest Newton – City Council**

**John Weldon – Board of Education**

**Michael Testani – BOE Superintendent**

**Jon Urquidi – City Engineer**

**Lynn Haig - OPED**

**Jorge Garcia – BOE Facilities**

**Craig Nadrizny – Public Facilities Acting Director**

**Kenneth Flatto – Finance Director**

Michele Otero – Contract Compliance/School Construction

Larry Schilling – School Construction Program

William Coleman – Office of Planning & Economic Development

Shante Hanks – Deputy Commissioner of Housing

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2021**

**Motion:** Motion by Mr. Newton and second by Mrs. Haig

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Unanimously approved

**IV. General Matters**

A. Approval of February invoices; Mr. Schilling read the report.

- Aquaculture School - **\$17,349.91**
- Bassick High School - **\$43,892.70**
- Marin Roof - **\$1,384.36**

**Motion:** Motion by Mr. Weldon and second by Mr. Newton

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Unanimously approved

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### B. Aquaculture School

Change Order Request Wesmac – **ADD \$15,360**

Change came in at the request of the Aquaculture Administration to add Cameras, additional windlass control in the pilot house, two added pad eyes, two portlite windows, Bolt up and power to motor and power, modify bridge wings, two dutch doors.

**Motion:** Motion made by Mr. Weldon and second by Mr. Urquidi.

**Discussion:** Mr. Newton stressed his concern that contractors are always trying to get change orders through on City projects.

**Action:** Unanimously Approved

### IV. Update from the Resiliency Team

Ms. Hanks reported the project recently received an extension for one (1) year, funds must be expended by September 2023. Hoping for completion by January 2024. Ms. Hanks suggested the Bassick High School begin construction in Fall 2023 due to the Resiliency project. The State Department of School Construction has requested a letter laying out the schedule of the Resiliency Project. Mrs. Nieves asked the State should receive this letter; Ms. Hanks replied no later than the coming Monday (March 22) as she was waiting for this meeting to take place before sending it. Ms. Pereira made mention of the concern over how the site was purchased by the City, stating it was done illegally. Mr. Flatto expressed his concerns over funding for the Bassick HS project.

### Project Status Reports

- A. Aquaculture – Project nearing completion. Boat expected to arrive midsummer 2021
- B. Bassick High School – Had a meeting with DEEP, DOT, DOH, SCG including Mr. Diamantis. Two items requested from the State dept of School Construction were the schedule from the Resiliency Project and permit from DEEP satisfying all requirements. Currently working on that in hopes to obtain the “OK” from the State on using the site.
- C. Marin Roof – Had a Scope Review with the lowest responsible, responsive bidder. Awaiting paperwork. Work is scheduled to begin on June 15<sup>th</sup>.

### VII. Adjournment

**Motion:** Mr. Newton made the motion to adjourn at 5:04pm and a second by Mr. Flatto.

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Unanimously approved

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Otero  
School Construction Program  
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