

*School Building Committee*

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
CITY OF BRIDGEPORT  
SCHOOLS BUILDING COMMITTEE  
August 19, 2021**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Co-Chair Nieves called the meeting to order at 4:01pm, a quorum was present.

**II. ATTENDANCE**

(Voting Members Bold)

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

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

**Ernest Newton – City Council**

**John Weldon – Board of Education**

**Joseph Sokolovic – Board of Education**

**Michael Testani – Superintendent of Schools**

**Jon Urquidi – City Engineer**

**Thomas Gill - OPED**

**Kenneth Flatto – Finance Director**

**Jorge Garcia – Director, Building Operations BOE**

**Craig Nadrizny – Acting Director, Public Facilities**

Michele Otero – Contract Compliance/School Construction

Larry Schilling – School Construction Program

**III. Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 15, 2021**

**Motion:** Motion by Mr. Sokolovic and second by Mr. Gi;;

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Unanimously approved

**IV. General Matters**

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

- Aquaculture School - **\$14,960.00**
- Bassick High School - **\$140,173.51**
- Marin Elementary School - **\$396,425.50**

**Motion:** Motion by Mr. Brown and second by Mr. Gill

**Discussion:** Mr. Newton made mention of the concerns over funding for Bassick HS. Mr. Flatto clarified that the City has funding available now due to bonding, however only roughly eight million dollars (\$8,000,000). Mr. Flatto would like to move forward without paying contractors only maintenance. The Committee did not agree.

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Mr. Schilling explained to the Committee that the City will not be eligible to “draw down” funds from the State until the project is reauthorized.

Mrs. Otero expressed concern that the 8 million would only last until January/ February.

**Action:** Unanimously approved

### **VI. Project Status Reports**

- A. Aquaculture – Boat is still ongoing. Currently installing electronics. Expected delivery this Winter.
- B. Bassick HS – Ongoing conversations with DEEP for approval. Expecting that sign off very soon. Once we obtain this, the documents will be sent to State Office of School Construction for their “sign off” on the site.
- C. Marin Roof – All roofing work is complete. Waiting on skylights to come in and will be installed immediately.

### **VII. Adjournment**

**Motion:** Mr. Brown made the motion to adjourn at 4:50pm and a second by Mr. Sokolovic

**Discussion:** None

**Action:** Unanimously approved

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Otero  
School Construction Program