

**UP-ISLAND REGIONAL SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF MARTHA'S VINEYARD/
CHILMARK SELECTMEN
4:00PM, Monday, April 8, 2109
West Tisbury School**

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Present: Chair – Skipper Manter, Roxanne Ackerman, Kate DeVane, Robert Lionette, Alex Salop,
Others: Supt's Shared Services Office: Matt D'Andrea, Richie Smith, Amy Tierney, Nancy Dugan,
Principals: Susan Stevens,
Chilmark FinCom & Energy – Rob Hanneman,
OPM/Engineers: - Mike Josefek ACG, David Hipolito - Griffith & Vary,
Press –Lynn Fraker – MVTV,
Recorder: Marni Lipke *Late arrivals or early departures

Call to Order (Agenda item #I)

The Up-Island Regional School Committee (UIRSC) meeting was called to order. Plumbing/heating consultant Alan Fortes was on vacation and no Selectmen were present. Invitations and reminders were sent, however Selectmen Chair Jim Malkin was away. Chilmark Finance Committee (FinCom) and Energy Committee member Rob Hanneman represented the Town. *(Recorder's Note: Some discussions have been grouped for clarity and brevity.)*

Chilmark School Heat (Agenda item #II)

(See documents on file & Minutes: 1/28/19 p.1-2 #III A & 3/18/19 p.2-3 #IV B.)

A. Meeting with Architectural Consulting Group (ACG) and Consultant Alan Fortes

- The project had been delayed pending concerns over ceiling insulation, which had not been specified by the previous contractor, South Mountain. Insulation design was critical not only to protect equipment such as the sprinkler system but also to avoid unintended consequences such as increased moisture, roof rot, shingle deterioration, etc.
- Owners Project Manager (OPM) ACG solicited four firms for insulation studies but due to a robust construction market, the single bid for a study was very high.
- Additionally, there were no bids on the boiler replacement.
- Island contractors were certified in their fields however municipal projects required Dept. of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) certification, involving: bonding, financial statements, proof of insurance and payment of prevailing wage (usually union rate)—often a sticking point with small firms.
- The UIRSD had a standing contract with Alan Fortes for maintenance, however, he expressed reservations on the boiler replacement bid language. He had replaced the Martha's Vineyard Regional High School (MVRHS) boiler without problems however Tisbury had objected to bid language and failed to pay him for its School boiler replacement. OPM Mike Josefek offered to explain the bid to him.
- Rob Hanneman questioned ACG and Griffith & Vary regarding their experience and knowledge of the Chilmark School, advocating for a 21st Century energy efficient system. He requested a copy of the Griffith & Vary proposal.

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- Mike Josefek and Griffith & Vary engineer David Hipolito described the current patchwork 21st Century system. Although it might be best to replace it entirely, Griffith & Vary proposed a sensible, cost effective solution resulting in a good system, including:
 - replacing one failed boiler (the other was replaced under emergency in 2015)
 - adding variable frequency drives (VFDs) and two new heating distribution pumps; and
 - moving/updating thermostats.
- David Hipolito reported that the additional work would not add to the classroom noise.
- There had been no pipe breaks through several cold winters, consequently the UIRSC separated out the insulation but requested a review of the ceiling insulation and the fire suppression system. Cape Light Compact offered \$2,400 to subsidize insulation.
- To avoid getting stalled in too much detail the UIRSC proposed combining the boiler project with the rest of the system renovations to attract better bids.
 - Most contractors were scheduled out through September/October 2019, so the best timeframe was 2019 holiday break. Some of the work could be done while students were in the building.
 - The UIRSC requested an energy efficient system and understood it might be necessary to return to the Towns for further funding.
 - The larger project was likely to eliminate Alan Fortes as a bidder. ACG offered to shepherd the company through the DCAMM application process.
- This project phase was funded at \$284,375 of which the UIRSD had spent \$20,365.
- The UIRSC requested:
 - a proposal/bid/estimate for the combined project;
 - including a chart of accounts with project status, estimates and total cost;
 - all proposals be submitted to the Town of Chilmark (Energy Committee).
 - ACG offered to facilitate the process if the UIRSC wished to call a special meeting.
- *KATE DEVANE MOVED TO:*
 - *RECOMBINE THE BOILER AND HEATING SYSTEMS PROJECTS;*
 - *HAVE ACG AND GRIFITH & VARY DETERMINE AN ENERGY EFFICIENT END RESULT;*
 - *SEPARATE THE INSULATION INTO ANOTHER PROJECT;*
 - *AUTHORIZE ACG / GRIFITH & VARY TO DRAFT A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP);**ALEX SALOP SECONDED: MOTION PASSED; 4 AYES, 1 NAY-ROXANNE ACKERMAN, 0 ABSTENTIONS.* Roxanne Ackerman was not satisfied with the financial discussion.

Topics Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair – None (Agenda Item #III)

Meetings/Events

UIRSC Meeting – TBD 5:00PM, Monday, May 20, 2019

Annual Town Meetings

Edgartown, Oak Bluffs, Tisbury, West Tisbury – Tuesday, April 9, 2018

Chilmark – Monday, April 22, 2018

Aquinnah – Tuesday, May 14, 2018

Adjournment

- *ALEX SALOP MOVED TO ADJOURN AT 5:07PM; ROBERT LIONETTE SECONDED; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.*

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Documents on File:

- Agenda 4/8/19
- Sign In Sheet 4/8/19
- ACG Roof Insulation Information, Information provided by Building Science Corporation (27 p.)
- Up Island Regional School District of Martha's Vineyard minutes excerpts re: Chilmark School Heat (22 p.) 1/20/15 to date.

Minutes approved 5/20/19.