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**TOWN OF DARIEN BOARD OF EDUCATION CENTRAL OFFICE/
MATHER CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE**

Friday, January 13, 2012

A special meeting of the Town of Darien Board of Education Central Office/Mather Center Building Committee was held on January 13, 2012. Present were Chairman Norm Guimond, Vice Chairman Robin Woods, Louis Gesauldi, John Hertz and Elizabeth Hagerty-Ross. Also present was Town Administrator Karl Kilduff. Rusty Malik called into the meeting to participate via telephone

Chairman Guimond called the meeting to order at 11:12 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

a) Professional Service Agreements

Mr. Malik advised the committee on the site survey contract and that the scope needed to include delineation of the wetlands. The site survey for 35 Leroy was approved by Chairman Guimond. The survey for the Town Hall Annex would be settled by the Town and executed.

Site and civil engineering contracts were discussed. The Committee had proposals from Tighe & Bond, Redniss & Mead, and TO Design. The price proposals for the 3 firms were discussed. TO Design offered the lowest fee for a comparable scope of work. Mr. Hertz moved, seconded by Ms. Woods, to award the contract to TO Design. The motion passed unanimously.

The parking/traffic study consultant was discussed and the specific items to be evaluated. Ms. Woods moved, seconded by Mr. Hertz, to award the parking/traffic study to Frederick Clark Associates. The motion passed unanimously.

b) Natural Gas Connection

Chairman Guimond spoke with the Account Representative from Yankee Gas regarding a natural gas connection for 35 Leroy. He noted that it did not appear as if Middlesex Commons was interested in connecting to the line. Other possible users in the area are being spoken to in an effort to reduce the cost to connect.

The cost of the line was quotes at \$131,000. Approximately \$100,000 is available in the project budget as a premium charge to keep the building oil fueled which could cover some of this cost. The remaining \$31,000 would have to come from project contingency or new funding would have to be explored.

The use of dual fueled boilers was discussed briefly. Mr. Malik noted that the efficiency of the equipment would be less than a pure gas system. He added that energy efficiency rebates might be available from Yankee Gas.

c) Project Update

It was decided that the Town would hold all of the professional service contracts rather than running them through the architects.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Karl F. Kilduff

Administrative Officer