

SPECIAL SESSION**TUESDAY****JANUARY 13, 2015**

The Board of Huron County Commissioners met this date in Special Session. Roll being called found the following members present: Gary W. Bauer, Tom Dunlap, Joe Hintz.

The following were in attendance:

Susan Hazel – Clerk of Courts
Amy Latteman – Clerk of Courts
Roland Tkach – HC Auditor
Peter Welch – Commissioners
Scott Seitz – Reflector
Ralph Fegley – S.E.S
Thomas Fries – S.E.S
Dan Frederick – Architect
Lynn Chapin – Auditor's Office
Cheryl Nolan – Commissioners
Tom Dunlap – Commissioner
Gary Bauer – Commissioner
Joe Hintz – Commissioner

Dan Frederick presented the request for payment and explained the project as to the stage that it is in and work to be done. Mr. Frederick explained the project is 57% complete, which includes the windows going in, drywall going up on the ceiling, interior walls being framed, electrical work being done.

Mr. Frederick stated he has some paperwork issues that need following up including some permit fees from the City of Norwalk. Mr. Frederick stated he will verify which permit fees have and have not been taken care of.

Mr. Frederick discussed the brick and wainscoting, he explained that the cost estimates are in three steps. Right now the drawings call for the drywall to be painted everywhere. If it is decided to put in the brick, wainscoting veneer the additional cost will be paid for by the Title Office and License Bureau. First step is to delete the drywall where the wainscoting is going to be and put a proper cement board backing up. The second step is to install the brick. Lynn Chapin questioned why is this being ran through the building contracts because now you have to worry about prevailing wage. Mr. Frederick stated that you cannot take chunks of the project and not do prevailing wage. Ms. Chapin asked why the construction of the cabinets are not being done under prevailing wage. Mr. Frederick stated that the cabinets are being constructed off site, the installation of the cabinets will fall under prevailing wage. All work done on site, falls under prevailing wage.

Mr. Frederick stated the proposed sketch is around 540 sq. ft. of veneer in the DMV Office. Mr. Frederick explained that a discussion was had with Ms. Nolan regarding uniformity finishes within the building. The bases for the veneer in the DMV is the durability to contrast to the drywall. Mr. Dunlap questioned if anyone has a sample of the brick, Ms. Chapin stated she has them in her office. Ms. Chapin stated that this was real brick cut in half. Mr. Bauer stated that they are not real brick, that the samples have Mr. Frederick's logo on them. Mr. Frederick stated that he placed a logo sticker on these samples to identify them as the samples they were interested in. Mr. Hintz questioned, what they are looking at is a sample of real brick correct? Mr. Frederick stated this is real brick, Mr. Hintz stated he understood that, what he was questioning was the size of the brick would be, and would it match the sample? Mr. Frederick stated he was not sure. Mr. Dunlap asked if it looks like real brick when it is completed. Both Mr. Frederick and Ms. Chapin stated it does. Ms. Chapin explained that it is the same manufacturer as the exterior brick.

Mr. Welch questioned if the brick needed cleaning and how. Mr. Frederick stated that the texture of the brick inside is the same as the outside (exterior) brick. This cannot be wiped down however it is maintenance free.

Mr. Frederick stated that the suggestion for the Title Office in the waiting area, will put up a minimal amount to give it flavor this suggestion is 125 sq. ft. brick. Mr. Frederick explained the third part of the equations is there are two actually public lobby spaces, if a veneer is going into the two office spaces is it appropriate to put a little bit of veneer in the lobby spaces that you walk through to get to the Title Office and DMV this will include 170 sq. ft.

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Mr. Frederick explained there are two different numbers regarding cost. One way is to have the owner purchase the material, with the contractor installing the material which is a direction Mr. Frederick's office went because the General Contractor runs everything through Mr. Frederick's office, the General Contractor is Studer Obringer, their proposed cost is approximately \$4.00 sq. ft. for the material, \$1.61 sq. ft. added to change the drywall to der-rock, the installation is \$23.24. Mr. Frederick recommends the brick be put on cement board.

Mr. Hintz questioned clarification on the maintenance free for the brick for the interior of the building. How hard is it going to be to clean this brick when people start placing their feet all over it while waiting in line? Ms. Chapin stated how are you going to clean the exterior brick, it would be the same concept. Mr. Hintz stated he could see using a pressure washer to clean the exterior brick, however you can't use a pressure washer for the interior brick. Mr. Bauer commented in regards to the funds and stated that they cut things from the project earlier in the project that were more important than the brick. This is why a meeting was called to make a decision. Mr. Frederick stated that the long term maintenance issue with the interior of the brick would be a bristle brush and a bucket of soapy water. Mr. Deeble stated that this would have to be done at least a couple time a year. Mr. Fegley commented in regards to cleaning the brick and putting a sealer on the brick. Ms. Hazel asked what the price would be if a sealer is added, would it be an extra \$1.00 sq. ft. It would be a lot easier to seal it before the walls are painted. Mr. Hintz commented in regards to trying to correct a problem, however it spreads to wanting it to look uniformed. However he is not sold on putting the brick up, he feels it will be a janitorial nightmare. Mr. Hintz agrees with Mr. Fegley the sealer would help. Mr. Dunlap asked Mr. Tkach how attached is he do this brick. Mr. Tkach stated there is two choices on the table, either go with drywall and paint it or go with brick; what other choices do we have. Mr. Frederick commented in regards to the discussion of the brick in the past but the cost just came to light today and further discussed other options.

Mr. Frederick commented on the four options; brick veneer, similar to the outside; big stone looking tile; wood laminate; and paint. Mr. Dunlap questioned if Studer Obringer could install the brick. Mr. Frederick stated they could install the brick. Mr. Bauer doesn't want to bring in another contractor, less people to control. Ms. Hazel commented if they do the brick on the title side, especially where the children's corner is at, brick would be more durable and the cost of \$3,600.00. Ms. Hazel stated that if the brick is approved, it should be sealed. Ms. Hazel stated this area will have more traffic, it very confined, and this is probably where people will bump into the walls.

Mr. Bauer stated that if the Title Office and DMV are convinced this is what they want, paying for it and it will be installed by Studer Obringer he is fine with it. Mr. Dunlap is also in agreement. Mr. Hintz stated something needs to be done regarding wainscoting, he is not in favor of spending this kind of money on this brick, he is in favor of doing something, keeping this clean is going to be a nightmare and they are going to regret it down the road. Mr. Tkach questioned Mr. Hintz on what he would suggest instead. Mr. Hintz stated the Mr. Frederick gave different options, he's not sure. An option of a stronger drywall, it a marking is made on it, it will be easier to clean, repair and repaint than the brick. Mr. Bauer questioned once the brick is stuck onto the wall, will it stay in place. Mr. Frederick stated as long as there is no movement to the wall those bricks are intended to stay put. Mr. Frederick stated that with the improvement of the space, behavior should improve.

The board agreed to go ahead with the brick.

Ms. Chapin commended in regards to signage. Mr. Dunlap asked that they coordinate this between Mr. Frederick, Ms. Chapin and Ms. Hazel.

Ms. Chapin asked regarding the phones, Mr. Bauer stated a contract will be signed with Frontier next week. Daivia Kasper, Vickie Ziemba and Cheryl Nolan worked hard with Frontier to get the contract the way it needs to be, before the Board of Commissioners sign it.

At 10:57 a.m. Gary W. Bauer moved to adjourn. Joe Hintz seconded the motion. The meeting stood adjourned.

IN THE MATTER OF OPEN SESSION

The board Huron County Commissioners hereby attest that all actions and deliberations of the Board legally required to be public were conducted in an open session on this date and that the foregoing minutes

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represent the official action of the Board.

IN THE MATTER OF CERTIFICATION

The Clerk to the Board does hereby attest that the foregoing is a true and correct record of all actions taken by the Board of Huron County Commissioners on January 13, 2015.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNING

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

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