

Memorandum

To: School Board

From: Kerry Leider



Date: July 28, 2015

Re: Summer Project Updates

I want to inform you there have been several projects we are working on this summer where we have encountered unforeseen conditions that as a result will cost us more to complete than current bid awards.

I have mentioned the rock at HOCHS retaining wall project will result in extra cost to deal with impacts to what was designed and bid for that project. I expect to present a change order for Board action to confirm an increase to the contract value.

Also at HOCHS, we have been working with Northland Consulting Engineers LLP to design the reconstruction of the Third Street parking lot and to resolve some utility and drainage problems. Bill Hanson originally approved that agreement within his Board authorized limits; however, there is now a need for some architectural design work to preserve a handicap ramp to a classroom above the boiler room and some structural and mechanical design necessary to resolve some conflicts related to an old underground coal bin and ash pit that must be removed. Since the fee will now exceed Bill's authority, I will be bringing an amendment to the Board for confirmation and approval. In the interim, I have asked Northland to continue with the design so this work can be accomplished this construction season.

At Laura MacArthur, the excavation of the site for the tennis courts discovered the remains of an old church foundation and some houses that required removal of slabs, foundations and footings and the filling of that additional excavation. This work had been authorized to proceed, and I expect to present a change order for Board action to confirm an increase to the contract value.

At OEMS, there is a batting cage where we have encountered bedrock that will impact the designed footings, and I expect to present a change order for board action to confirm an increase to the contract value.

At Lakewood, there is a parking lot project underway where there was need for some additional curb replacement and rock relating to erosion prevention that was not in the contracted scope of work, and I expect to present a change order for Board action to confirm an increase to the contract value.

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This email is intended to provide you advance notice these changes are coming to you for retroactive confirmation and action and that I have authorized these contractors to proceed obligating the District to additional cost.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns with the authorizations given. All of these matters needed decisions and directions given to contractors in time frames that did not allow for Board action in advance.

Cc: William Hanson
Superintendent Gronseth