

**MINUTES OF THE TOWN OF CHESHIRE NEXT GENERATION SCHOOL BUILDING
COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2026, AT 7:00 P.M., ON
VIRTUAL TEAMS CONNECTION**

Committee Members Present: Richard Gusenburg, Chairman; Denis Rioux, Greg Rosenblatt, Sarah Stevens-Morling, Sean Kimball, Chris Daddi

Committee Members Absent: Chuck Neth, Megan Rockwell, Jeff Solan

Staff/Guests Present: O&G Associates Ryan Benoit, Alison Frost; Arcadis Associates Rich Sitnik, Zach Machold; Vin Masciana

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Gusenburg at 7:03 p.m.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The Minutes Clerk performed the roll call, and a quorum was present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Recommendations/Actions on Change Orders

PCO-047 Chair Storage Adjustment. A motion was made by Mr. Rioux to approve PCO-047 for a Not to Exceed amount of \$19,322.00 for labor, materials and equipment to add a cold form metal framing platform, with a structural subfloor, and guardrail above the chair storage room for the New Norton School. Mr. Daddi seconded the motion. Mr. Rioux asked about certain potential credits, which he was told would be investigated. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

PCO-052 New Permit for new requirements for a stormwater control panel and a new monitor. A motion was made by Mr. Rioux to approve PCO-052 Not to Exceed \$35,000.00 due to DEEP updating their requirements for a stormwater control plan which resulted in having to apply for a new permit that meets the requirements at the New Norton School and hiring a third party for monitoring. Mr. Benoit said it was unfortunate that this project was not grandfathered in by the State and a third party is now needed. This price accounts for five rain events per month. Mr. Rioux asked if hiring Benesch is a conflict of interest. He was told the town attorney has been asked for clarification. He was also not comfortable with some inconsistencies. Mr. Benoit said they will be out of compliance soon. Mr. Rosenblatt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

PCO-034R2 New Eversource Directives. A motion was made by Mr. Rioux to approve PCO-034R2 for \$87,439.00 due to new directives from Eversource concerning work related to the electrical service and transformer location once the project in Eversource was transferred from the design department to the field department for the New North End School. Mr. Daddi seconded the motion. Mr. Rioux said this is a necessary evil. Chairman Gusenburg said it seems there is no other choice. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

PCO-049 To Install Call-Stations. A motion was made by Mr. Rioux to approve PCO-049 for \$17,953.00 for the labor and materials to install call-boxes in classrooms at the New North End School. Mr. Daddi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

PCO-053 To Enlarge the “black drop” Area. A motion was made by Mr. Daddi to approve PCO-053 for \$1,543.00 to address changes, revisions and clarifications surrounding the stage and audio-visual equipment resulting the “black drop” area of the screen being enlarged at the New North End School. Mr. Rioux seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

PCO-054 New Permit for new requirements for a stormwater control panel. A motion was made by Mr. Rioux to approve PCO-054 Not to Exceed \$30,000.00 due to DEEP updating their requirements for a stormwater control plan which resulted in having to apply for a new permit that meets the requirements at the New North End School and hiring a third party for monitoring. Mr. Daddi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Mr. Sitkin told the Committee that the Town of Cheshire has received the third payment from the State for the North End School project and the second payment for the Norton School project.

4. Adjournment

Mr. Rioux made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Rosenblatt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those present.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Attest:

Ron Dellostritto, Minutes Clerk