

State Capitol Preservation and Restoration Commission
June 27, 2012
Legislative Office Building – Hearing Room 1B

Members Present: Rep. Emil “Buddy” Altobello, Benny Auger, Lorraine Guilmartin, Robert D. Harris, Jr., Sally M. Martin, Tom Ritter, John Ruffalo

Members Not Present: Sen. Joseph J. Crisco, Jr., Commissioner Donald DeFronzo, Bill Morgan, Barry Williams, Dr. Walter W. Woodward

Others Present: Eric Connery, Angela Cahill, Liz Conroy, Jay Drew, Kim Fabrizio, John Harnick

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m.

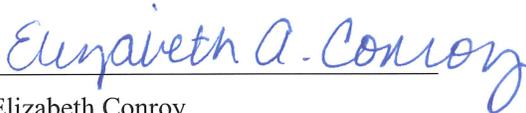
- ◆ The December 7, 2011 and March 23, 2012 meeting minutes were approved by acclamation.
- ◆ *Green Capitols:* Eric Connery reported that the project is close to completion. There was one concern with the permeable sidewalk on the east side near the fire exit door. It will be replaced with the non-permeable concrete. There are no aesthetic issues with this solution.
- ◆ *Water stained walls on fourth floor:* The recent torrential rain did not cause additional leaks. This agenda item can be closed.
- ◆ *House voting boards:* The new boards are currently being fabricated and should be completed by the end of July. Some of the vendors that have participated in walk-throughs related to the necessary wall repairs, which include stenciling, masonry and woodwork, have extensive experience with this type of work.
- ◆ *Maintenance and upgrade projects in progress or recently completed:*
 - Jay Drew reported that some trees on the Capitol grounds incurred storm damage last year. Selective pruning has addressed the issue. There are also two dead trees on the South lawn which will be replaced with like species.
 - We are continuing to plan the energy conservation re-lamping of the House Chamber and have selected an LED bulb with a possible 7-year life. We are also investigating an alternative hoisting system to reduce wear on the chandeliers as they are lowered.
- ◆ *Projects on hold pending funding:* Eric said that we are looking at more funding beginning in July when the budget process has been completed. Some of the items on hold may be completed and removed from the list during the upcoming fiscal year. Projects on hold include the Genius statue, battle flag conservation, exterior cleaning and restoration, boiler replacement and blast mitigation / window replacement. We are currently considering light bulb alternatives rather than fixture replacement for the office lights.
- ◆ *Projects in design:*
 - *East and West Skylights required repairs* – Eric reported that we are working with Fletcher-Thompson to complete the bid documents. We do have bond funding and hope to remove the skylights this year and reinstall them after the 2013 session.

- *Proposed ceiling fans in the Senate Caucus rooms* – The uneven cooling issue has been resolved utilizing controls. This item can be removed from the agenda.
- *Elevator upgrade* – The project design has been completed. We are now waiting to send this item out to bid once funding becomes available. The paneling in the three elevators will be replaced with real wood, the brass repaired, and the light fixtures replaced.
- ◆ *New Business:*
 - Jay reported that John Canning will be speaking at the Barnum Museum in Bridgeport on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 regarding the CT state capitol restoration.
 - Eric reported that we now have Gerry Caughman's flag book in electronic form and plan to make it available on a kiosk (with the Commission's approval) in the Hall of Flags for use by visitors.
- ◆ *Selecting the date for the next Commission meeting:* Bob Harris suggested a late September date for the next quarterly Commission meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.



Eric Connery



Elizabeth Conroy