

CIVIC CENTER RENOVATION NEWS

Feb. 6th, 2012 - At a special meeting today, Civic Center Board Chairperson Neal Pratt announced the appointment of a Building Committee. The Committee will consist of six voting members from the Civic Center Board of Trustees and the Cumberland County Commissioners. Committee members are Joe Bruno, Chair, Neal Pratt, Linda Boudreau, Joe Gray, Commissioner Sue Witonis, and Commissioner Neil Jamieson. The committee will be augmented by additional non-voting members yet to be determined. Interviews of three Construction Management firms are scheduled to be conducted by the Trustees on Friday, February 17th.

Jan. 18th, 2012 – A RFP/Q for Construction Management Services for the Civic Center renovation was issued on Jan. 17th. Work began this week on a three dimensional laser scan of the interior and exterior of the Civic Center. This scan will provide a set of “as built” plans necessary to develop the engineering drawings for the renovation. WBRC and Sink Combs Dethlefs continue to work with the Staff and Trustees on the conceptual design and needs assessment phase of the project as the County prepares to issue the first bonds for financing the project.



Jan. 11th, 2012- On December 21st, the Cumberland County Civic Center Board of Trustees selected WBRC and Sink Combs Dethlefs as the architects and engineers for the renovation of the Civic Center. Don Dethlefs, principal Sink Combs Dethlefs, has an extensive track record designing and renovating mid-sized arenas. Together WBRC and Sink Comb Dethlefs designed the new Bangor Arena currently under construction.

The architects have identified an aggressive time- line for the design of this project. The conceptual design phase is currently under way and is expected to take about one month. Concurrently, several surveys will be conducted including a complete laser measuring of the interior and exterior of the venue. This survey will assist the architects in developing a set of “as built” plans from which the new design will evolve. A hazardous materials survey will also be conducted which will identify any specialty sub-contractors that may need to be engaged.

The Civic Center Trustees voted unanimously to use the Construction Manager at Risk construction model for the Civic Center renovation. An RFP/Q will be issued on Jan. 17th, 2012 for Construction Management Services. Once the Construction Manager has joined the team, the design will be finalized and a construction time-line developed.