

Minutes of the Gurdwara Committee meeting on Sunday, September 10th 2006

- (1) Meeting was called to order by Surjit Singh Kamra.
Present were S. Pritpal Singh Bansal, Mrs Neelam Bawa, Mrs. Dolly Suri, Mrs Rashpal Bansal ,Charanjit Marwah , Amarjit S. Birang , Sammie Riar, Satinder Pal Singh Rana, Mrs. Ravi Bindra and Mrs.Bhavneet Sethi.

Puneet Kukreja and Dr. Bindra were absent.
- (2) The Guests were:
Balaji Das - General Contractor
W.C. Sutton - Site Work Sub Contractor
- (3) The Agenda of the meeting was to discuss the 3 bids received for the New Prayer Hall for Gurdwara Sahib.
- (4) First discussed bid was from **C & M Builders, Inc.** for Amount of **\$ 899,000** (Eight Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Dollars), to have the work substantially complete within 210 Calendar days.
- (5) Second discussed bid was from **Hecht Construction Company, Inc.** for Amount of **\$ 898,541** (Eight Hundred Ninety Eight Thousand and Five hundred forty One Dollars), to have the work substantially complete within 210 Calendar days.
- (6) Third discussed bid was from **SVG Construction Co. Inc.** for Amount of **\$ 779,499** (Seven Hundred Seventy Nine and forty ninty nine Dollars), to have the work substantially complete within 195 Calendar days.
- (7) All the bids were out of budget (our budget being **\$ 400,000**), since the lowest one was from SVG Construction Co. Inc for Amount of **\$ 779,499**, Pritpal ji invited the President Balajidas Mushyam of SVG Construction to the meeting.
- (8) SVG Construction Co. Inc in the breakdown of \$779,499 showed \$144,000 for Excavation, Sitework, Stromsewer and \$ 36,592 for Paving.
The committee discussed the various options of brining the cost down by looking at these two items and also making sure that we adhere to the Bartlett's city's code .The main reason for the construction cost being so high was that the Gurdwara comes under the commercial property and thereby it has to adhere to the Parking lot and other commercial rules which are bringing the cost high.
- (9) Balajidas also suggested that Gurdwara sahib should start looking for donations from other big gurdwara's in the nation like the LA Gurdwara.
- (10)Balaji also told the committee that he would be talking to all his subcontractors and see if he could bring the cost down.
- (11)Bansal ji had received a second letter from Balaji which had a second option for the committee. He is proposing that we hire him on cost plus basis. Balaji's construction company will execute the project and manage the sub contractors.

Balaji will negotiate lump sum price with each sub and the Gurdwara Sahib will pay Balaji an agreed upon fixed percentage for the total job.

(12) Pritpal ji also told the committee that he is expecting another bid from Rose Integrated. This company is recommended by Bindra ji.