

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT – JULY 15, 2015 CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING

There are 4 steps yet to be completed before construction can begin on phase 1 of the building program approved by the congregation.

1. A general contractor must be selected. Members of the Building Committee have interviewed 3 prospective general contractors, and we have received responses to follow-up questions from each of them. The Committee will now evaluate the information we have received from the interviews and the questionnaires and then determine which general contractor we will select to complete the building project.
2. A complete package of information requested by officials with the City of Naperville has been submitted. If no additional information is required, the next step in the City approval process is to appear before the Planning and Zoning Commission. After receiving approval for our building plan from that Commission, the final step will be to receive approval from the City Council. We have engaged an attorney, Kathy West, to represent our interests in the City approval process.
3. After a general contractor has been selected and City approval has been obtained, at least at the Planning and Zoning Commission level, we can begin work on the pre-construction phase of the project, which includes drawing up the detailed plans for the work to be done. Each of the contractors being considered has stated that when design drawings are completed or nearly completed they will contract to complete the project at a guaranteed maximum price. Once construction begins, the cost of the project will increase only if we request change orders.
4. Arrangements are being made to provide financing for construction costs incurred prior to the time CUMC has received the full funds pledged to meet those costs. Currently we are considering proposals from Naperville Bank & Trust and Lisle Savings Bank.

Dale Zimmerman, Chair