



CONSULTANTS &
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“insight”

Construction up-date

Dedication, Dedication, Dedication!



New Brighton Fire Color Guard Presents flags at dedication ceremony.



Mayor, Steve Larson welcomed everyone to the Dedication and Annual Open House for the City of New Brighton. This year's focus was the new Public Safety Center. Along with the City Council, Mayor Larson opened the doors of the new facility.

“What's up Doc?”

“Our philosophy is based on forming a Team consisting of selected experts all working in conjunction with architects, engineers, contractors and building committees. We act as an extension of the owner's staff and will be directly accountable for meeting budgets, timelines and project quality goals.”

“Doc”



Celebrating the successful completion of New Brighton's Public Safety Building

Over 400 people toured the New Brighton Public Safety Center on October 7, 2003 during dedication and opening of a state-of-the-art Public Safety Center.

Construction on this \$7 million center started

April 1, 2002 and was completed on September 30, 2003.

The center houses the Police and Fire departments. The building was built in two phases, completing the Fire Station first before demolishing the exist-

ing fire station to make room for the Police department.

The building includes: an eight stall Apparatus Bay that houses a variety of trucks for the Fire Department;

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QUALITY: Quality is never an accident; it is always the result of high intention, sincere effort, intelligent direction, and skillful execution; it represents the wise choice of many alternatives.

TEAMWORK

FLYING IN A "V" FORMATION

Naturalist Milton Olsen wrote on the behavior of geese to make a point about teamwork.

"This spring when you see geese heading back north for the summer flying along in "V" formation, you might be interested in knowing what scientists have discovered about why they fly that way. It has been learned that as each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71% greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own."

Basic Truth No. 1: People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going quicker and easier because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

"Whenever a goose falls out of formation it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird immediately in front."

Basic Truth No. 2: There is strength and power (safety

too) in numbers when traveling in the same direction as others with whom we share a common goal.

"When the lead goose gets tired, he rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point."

Basic Truth No. 3: It pays to take turns doing hard jobs — with people or with geese flying north.

"These geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed."

Basic Truth No. 4: Those who are exercising leadership need to be remembered with our active support and praise.

"Finally, when a goose gets sick or is wounded by gunshot and falls out, two geese fall out of formation and follow him down to help and protect him. They stay with him until he is either able fly or until he is dead, and then they launch out on their own or with another formation to catch up with their group."

Basic Truth No. 5: We must stand by those among us in their times of need.



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Setting New Standards for the Industry!

It's all in the DETAILS!

There were approximately 30,000 cy of soil that had to be removed from the site.

EDS had a grain size distribution test completed to find out what kind of soil was on the site. The soil turned out to be a very good structured sand which was used at other sites.

In the bidding documents EDS included a line item for the contractors to give a credit for the soil.

This ended up saving the City of New Brighton at least \$25,000. This was money they could use toward other items on their "wish list".

More DETAILS.....

The project broke ground in April of 2002. In June and July the project was literally "under water" because of the heavy rains.

Every construction project in the metro area was the same. EDS overcame this rain disaster by:

- Contouring the site so the water drained away
- Created a water flow plan
- Connected the building to floor drains

"Doc is very hands on. If any member of the team has a concern, there is no one better at open communication than our Construction Manager, Doc Smith.

One of the reasons we chose Doc for CM on this project is we had previously worked with him on the New Brighton Family Service Center. So, it was pretty obvious to all of us who would handle the New Brighton Public Safety Building.

What we love about Doc is that when things go right, he gives complete credit to the Team. When things go wrong, Doc shoulders the responsibility and looks for a quick, realistic solution. One thing I can say on behalf of all the owners... Doc is indeed a pleasure to work with."



New Brighton City Mayor
Steve Larson

"Doc made life a lot easier for me and the other members of the team. He is always on top of things. When a problem arose, Doc always had an idea of what was a realistic solution. He combined his ideas and mine (or other members of the team) to come up with... the right thing to do. Besides looking out for the best interests of the owner and making sure the building or project serves the needs of the owner, he makes sure that everyone on the team is taken care of. One of Doc's greatest attributes is his ability to organize and oversee large projects. Another is that he is such a 'nice guy'. Working with Doc made a huge difference".

Dave Macdonald- Mattson/Macdonald
Structural Engineers

"This was my first experience working on a building construction project. Doc Smith is very conscientious and detail oriented. He did what he said he could do and that was to meet our deadline and come within budget. As far as I am concerned, we wouldn't have been able to manage this project without Doc".

Les Proper
New Brighton City Engineer

Current project status

NEW BRIGHTON PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING



September 2003 - Completed
New Brighton Public Safety Building

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a five station firing range; training rooms, two kitchens, bunk rooms, offices, three conference rooms, emergency communications, interrogation rooms, four holding cells, and a computer backbone for the entire City of New Brighton.

EDS Consultants was the construction manager and assisted in design. This project received the...

EDS Consultants 2003 "Insight" award.

A little on-site insight...

"This was a very rewarding project to work on" states Doc Smith, "not only were all the team members professionals, there were many friendships made during the process".

Dave Macdonald of Mattson/Macdonald Structural Engineers stated, "Doc made life a lot easier for me and the other members of the team. Besides looking out for the best interests of the owner and making sure the building served the needs of the owner, he made sure that everyone on the team was taken care of. Working with Doc made a huge difference"

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April 2002 Phase 1
Footprint of Fire station



January 2003
Fire Station Complete



Dedication Doc Speaks



John Ellickson - Deputy Director of Police, Bob Jacobson - Director of Public Safety, Doc Smith - President of EDS Consultants, & Dan Olson - Deputy Director of Fire