

#### **FMW Renovation Update**

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How poor are they that have not patience! What wound did ever heal but by degrees?

William Shakespeare



Five carpenters continue to frame Lobby ceiling and install baseboard in Assembly Room.



Five dogged diggers redistribute soil from the back yard to the entrance.

This is a somewhat tedious process, since digging machines no longer can get into the courtyard.

They load
wheelbarrows
with shovels
and then dump
the dirt into the
dumpster at
the entrance.



A small Bobcat then scoops the dirt out of the dumpster and deposits it in front of the Meeting House.



Four concrete workers continue building forms for pouring the bioretention pond wall.

Three electricians continue work on the new Carriage House meeting room.

Two masons
continue to
adjust the
stonework
around the
Lobby doorways
into the
Meeting House.



Steve continues to plan, monitor, supervise, and exhort in things large and small. He draws on a large mental inventory of the many ways in which things might go wrong.

For example, today he advises the electricians to be sure to center the central light fixture in the new meeting room between the collar ties rather than the walls.

# Tuesday 🎾

A nice sunny day in the 50's.

The metal veneer panels for the outside of the lower corridor arrive on site.

Concrete workers work on bioretention pond forms.

Masons continue to patch the upper door frame to the Meeting House.

Electricians install wiring for lights in the new Carriage House room.

The digging crew continues to adjust the courtyard grading.

## Wednesday 🌋

The concrete crew pours the walls of the bioretention pond.



A couple of carpenters continue to complicate the Lobby ceiling.

Three electricians remove the existing wire that grounds the Meeting House electrical system and installs a new one that runs through the ground floor and grounds the system to the Administrative Secretary's office (which is also the home to the main water connection).

Douglas installs plastic sheeting to close in and protect the Quaker House foyer so that interior work can continue.



# Thursday 📅

Rainy day.



Three carpenters continue to work on that Lobby ceiling — the part that you won't see when we actually have a Lobby ceiling.

Two HVAC guys continue to run line sets.

Douglas continues demolition to try to get the Meeting House ground floor bathroom exhaust fans to vent through the Meeting House roof.

Three electricians install an electrical trough in the Meeting House furnace room.



Four carpenters work on the Lobby ceilings, which look increasingly complex.



Four site utilities crew members trim the new manholes in front of the new entrance.

Two HVAC guys install a new motherboard in the Quaker House compressor, restoring heat to Quaker House offices after a two-month gap (originally planned as two days).

They then go back to running linesets.

Four concrete workers strip off the forms from the newly poured bioretention pond walls, revealing an oddly shaped bathtub.



Douglas cleans out the elevator pit, preparing it for future delights.



And three electricians continue to wire up the corridor ceilings for lights.



This part takes a while and isn't very exciting to watch, until the lights go on.

### **Looking Ahead**

Pretty much the same outlook as last week.

Electrical wiring, plumbing, lighting, sprinkler system, fire alarm, roofing, and HVAC work.

The bioretention pond backfilled, provided with drains in the bottom, and filled with a sandy soil mix to absorb and hold stormwater.

The arrival and gradual installation of the interior doors.

Frame corridor and Lobby ceilings and add subflooring.

Some insulation and drywall to appear in Quaker house.

Finish Meeting House bathroom exhaust fans.

Paint and trim in Assembly Room.

Garden handrails.

Screens around new rooftop compressors.

Fix the top of the garden stairs and install brick patio above.