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Minutes *BPW Building Committee* *Thursday, December 17th, 2020*

Committee members in attendance via Zoom: Brian Rater, Cindy LaCroix, Dana Ketchen, and Tad Putney along with resident Peter Cook.

Tad called the meeting to order at 6:34pm. He said we were meeting according to existing Emergency Orders related to COVID-19 and asked all members to state why they were meeting remotely, where they were located and who, if anyone, was in the room with them. All members responded.

Minutes

Dana moved, seconded by Cindy, to approve the December 8th meeting minutes as written; Roll call vote Yes 4-0.

Exterior Color(s) for Building

Tad said the architect has asked about the exterior color scheme of the building for the rendering that he is preparing. **Dana** said she imagines something that is gray or neutral that blends with the nearby woods. **Cindy** said for the roof, we should find out what the “standard” color is as we could save money with that approach. **Dana** asked **Tad** to contact **Roland** about color options for the exterior. She also asked if the colors can be easily changed in the rendering. **Tad** will check with **Kurt**. **Tad** said he will also get **Mike’s** thoughts on color as well. Members looked at the picture from the Shaftsbury, VT facility and said something similar to it would be good.

Todd joined at 6:42pm.

Speaker’s Notes – Presentation

Tad walked members through the speaker’s notes he developed for the bond slide in the presentation. **Dana** asked if the legend items can be larger. **Cindy** will modify the slide. **Dana** asked if there are other bonds that are expected in future years. **Tad** said there is a short-term one for the Bond Street bridge, but then the town will be reimbursed 80% from the state’s Bridge Aid Program. **Brian** said he thinks the school district is considering a bond within several years that would be used for some maintenance of school buildings, but he was not sure of the details. **Dana** said she was comfortable using Tuesday’s meeting with North Mason Road residents as an informal dry run through the presentation. In reviewing the speaker’s notes, **Dana** suggested being as specific as possible, such as noting how many groundwater monitoring wells exist. **Dana** said she will highlight places in the notes where she thinks wording can be reduced.

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Frequently Asked Questions (FAQS)

Tad said **Mike** is working on expanding some answers to the FAQS, so we will defer these to the next meeting.

Video

Brian provided background on the script he prepared and forwarded to members earlier in the day. **Dana** asked where the video would appear. **Tad** said it would be on channel 192 and on the town website. **Brian** said that the Hollis-Brookline Rotary Club said they would also include a link to the video in their on-line news. **Dana** said she liked the upbeat script **Brian** had developed. There were no other suggested changes to the script. **Tad** said he contacted **Dave Pease** and he is ready to assist with filming and post-production editing. **Tad** said **Dave** will be able to insert into the video items such as the architectural plans or the bonding slide that we can speak to. **Brian, Mike, Tad** and **Dave** will move forward with the video.

Other Business

Peter said with the completion of the Safety Complex there was a lot of talk and focus on hiring local contractors. Members said they are hopeful there will be local bidders and the bidding deadline is tomorrow, so we will know more next week.

Cindy will add pictures from the high school students to the end of the presentation. She said work continues on their effort.

Peter said having reviewed the minutes, he wanted to confirm that the building will be sprinkled. Members said yes.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, December 22nd and begin at 6:30. **Tad** said the agenda will include a discussion with North Mason Road residents located between the Transfer Station and Route 13 beginning at 7pm. **Dana** asked if we will have the GMP for the next meeting. **Tad** said it is expected on Monday.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm. Minutes submitted by Tad Putney.