

The October 10, 2023 meeting of the Community Center Building Committee convened at 3:04 p.m.

Present for the Committee: Ms. Stein, Mr. Tucker

Present for Staff: Mr. Genovese

Other: Mr. David Stein, Architect with Silver Petrucelli, Mr. Aris Stallis, ARIS Land Studio,
Ms. Beth Heller, First Selectman (left at 4:15 pm),
Mr. Sean Rowland, Fire Chief (arrived at 3:30 pm; left at 4:15 pm)

Review & Approval of Meeting Minutes 9/20/23

The minutes of the September 20, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved (Tucker/Stein).

Review Project Schedule & Coordination with Fire Shed

- **Fire Shed**
 - Bids for foundation came back at ~\$160,000
 - Bid will be reviewed and hopefully approved at BOS meeting on Oct. 11th
 - Contract needs to be signed and building permit obtained
 - Will most likely be 4 weeks to start digging for foundation
 - Bid documents & shop drawings for shed will be completed in 2 weeks and ready to bid
 - STEAP grant was awarded from State for \$500K for shed
 - Need to determine if amount of project requires prevailing wage
 - Dec. 1st would be a goal for starting the shed construction
 - Design/build project – steel and wood exterior; then electrical, plumbing, HVAC before can move equipment and other materials out of old firehouse

- **Community & Cultural Center**
 - Tony prepared a budget for the project which includes the funding for the foundation of the fire shed; \$ for outdoor Grove, etc.
 - Still waiting for formal approval from SHPO – Beth will call to inquire about the delay
 - Tony will send the specifications to DECD to assist with formalizing their approval
 - Cardinal is currently conducting the site survey – report should be ready in another 2 weeks after completion of the survey
 - Need to wait 2-3 weeks to include the survey in the bid documents
 - Window for prevailing wage has been secured
 - 3 week timeframe for submission of bids
 - Question of whether these projects should be bid together as one project (depends upon whether prevailing wage needs to be used for fire shed)
 - Agreement that both bids should be issued at the same time and opened at the same time, even if separate projects. Potential for some savings if contractor is same.
 - Start date for construction of Community & Cultural Center would most probably be April 1st, although ordering of items such as the elevator, flooring, etc. could be done prior to that date so they are available once construction can begin

- Suggestion to tap hydrant on Center Road so do not have to dig under the stone wall to connect to a water line. This hydrant is no longer in use as a new hydrant on Newton Road has been installed. RWA needs to be contacted about this option.
- \$ have been committed for the Grove component of this project. These \$ are not sufficient to complete the conceptual plans for this space. Once a pathway has been determined for the Community & Cultural Center building construction, the Grove project will be rekindled by the building committee.

NEXT SPECIAL MEETING IS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2023 via Webex @ 3:30 pm

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sandra Stein