

Minutes of the May 1, 2013 Meeting of the Miller-Driscoll School Building Committee

Members Present: Cheryl-Jensen Gerner, Ann Paul, Fred Rapczynski, John Murphy, John Guth, Bruce Hampson, Ray Tobiassen, Rick Tomasetti, Jim Newton, Karen Birck, Jim Meinhold, Dick Dubow

Guests: Gary Richards, Malcolm Whyte

Selectman Dick Dubow called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

Members of the Building Committee and the guests introduced themselves.

Mr. Dubow nominated Bruce Hampson as Chairman of the Building Committee and Karen Birck as Vice Chairman. There were no additional nominations. By consensus the Building Committee selected Mr. Hampson as Chairman and Ms. Birck as Vice Chairman.

Mr. Dubow distributed a copy of the Board of Selectmen's Purpose and Objectives for the project and explained how the Board of Selectmen arrived at the statement of purpose and objectives.

Ms. Birck reviewed the history of the project.

Mr. Newton and Mr. Meinhold asked if the option of a new building was definitely off the table. Mr. Dubow stated that in the end the facts will drive the decision. Mr. Whyte said that the Building Committee should be looking for the right solution, that the form of the project should deliver a building that meets educational needs.

Mr. Hampson discussed some of the requirements that must be met if the Town seeks State reimbursement for the project and stated that the Building Committee should proceed as if the Town intends to seek reimbursement.

Mr. Hampson stated that the Building Committee has approximately \$352,000 to fund the project through schematic design. He then reviewed the timeline for the project that was prepared by Turner Construction Company.

Mr. Meinhold asked about new school security standards. Mr. Murphy stated that they had not yet been developed.

Mr. Meinhold stated that he thought it important that there be a well thought out plan of communication with the public regarding the project.

Mr. Hampson and Mr. Whyte described the role of the Council on Public Facilities in a building project and highlighted some of the Council on Public Facilities answers to questions the Board of Selectmen asked about the Statement of Requirements.

Mr. Hampson reviewed some of the lessons learned from the 2007-10 Wilton High School renovation project.

Mr. Whyte suggested that the Building Committee needs to discuss the construction method ie General Contractor vs Construction Manager.

The next two meetings will be May 13, 2013 at 5 pm and June 3, 2013 at 5 pm, both in the faculty workroom at Miller-Driscoll

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm

Following the meeting Ms. Jensen-Gerner led the Building Committee on a tour of the building.

Karen Birck
Temporary Secretary