

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER
SENIOR CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 9, 2021 – 7:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING**

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Members in Attendance: Tony Tarnowski, Marilynn Turner, Kevin Hastings, Ron Silberman, Sean Nadeau, Joe Ruiz, Majorie Mlodzinski

Alternates in Attendance: Madelyn Starkey, Geraldine Transue

Members Absent: None

Alternates Absent: None

Others Present: BOS Liaison Rosemary Coyle, Director of Senior Services Patty Watts, Silver/Petrucelli: Matt Gallerini; CSG: Mark Garilli, Samantha D'Agostino, Chris Cykley; Town Engineer Sal Tassone

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tarnowski called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m
2. **Seating of Alternate members:** None
3. **Amendments to Agenda:** None
4. **Citizens Comments:** None
5. **Approval of minutes of January 26, 2021:** K. Hastings motioned to approve the minutes of January 26, 2021 amended to include in Item 9. that P. Watts would provide the guide for uses of the room, seconded by R. Silberman. **MOTION CARRIED.**
6. **Correspondence:** Chairman Tarnowski received an email from M. Starkey that will be discussed later in the meeting.
7. **Approval of Invoices:** None
8. **Report of Architect and possible action:** Silver Petrucelli has been working to provide CSG with items needed for public education of the project. D. Stein asked for permission to use the project on their website.
 - a. **Submission of 8-24 Mandatory Referral to Planning and Zoning:** Chairman Tarnowski will work with CSG and Silver Petrucelli to prepare the 8-24.
9. **Public Information Sub-committee Report:** CSG and the subcommittee continue to work on public outreach by identifying targeted constituent groups. M. Mlodzinski has been invited to speak to the Lion's Club. M. Garilli shared an outline of the newsletter that is being prepared to go out as a bulk mailing. Members provided feedback. They want to make sure citizens have an accurate understanding of the cost and the benefits to them. M. Starkey sent an email to Chairman Tarnowski questioning if the end of June is the best time to have a referendum and if it was better to push off to August or September. If the budgets do not pass at the May referendum it would allow very little time for them to go back out to vote again before the project would go to referendum. M. Garilli believes an August or September date would allow for enough time to be ready for breaking ground in the spring but he cannot guarantee if the bidding market will change. Selectman Coyle said a delayed start could be beneficial for borrowing as there is debt from a past project that is close to dropping off. She will speak with First Selectman Bylone and CFO Cosgrove. There was general consensus among members to

put off the referendum if possible. It will be put on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss further.

10. Owner's Representative Update

- a. **Submission of 8-24 Mandatory Referral to Planning and Zoning:** Previously discussed.
- b. **Overall Project Schedule and Referendum Date:** No changes at this time.

11. Open items

- a. **Other Funding Sources:** No new discussion

12. Citizens Comment: C. Russi commented that additional parking is needed as more and more seniors are continuing to drive and the benefit to the community needs to be highlighted.

13. Adjournment: M. Mlodzinski motioned to adjourn. Chairman Tarnowski adjourned the meeting at 8:23p.m.

Submitted by,

Dawn LePage, Clerk