

**TOWN OF COLCHESTER**  
**SENIOR CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE**  
**Tuesday, October 12, 2021 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Virtual Meeting**

**Minutes**

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

**Alternates in Attendance:** Geraldine Transue, Madelyn Starkey

**Members Absent:** None

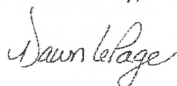
**Alternates Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Board of Selectman Liaison Rosemary Coyle

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 September 28, 2021:** M. Mlodzinski motioned to approve the minutes of September 28, 2021 amending to include that the motion under agenda item 8 was voted on via roll call. K. Hastings seconded the motion. Chairman Tarnowski asked members to vote via roll call. All members voted in favor with K. Hastings and J. Ruiz abstaining. **MOTION CARRIED**
6. **Correspondence:** None
7. **Approval of Invoices:** None
8. **Meetings with Boards of Finance and Selectmen:** The Board of Finance and Board of Selectmen will meet this coming week to vote on moving the project to a town meeting.
9. **Referendum Schedule:** The agenda for the September 28th meeting did not state possible action on the *Referendum Schedule* therefore the motion needs to be made again. M. Mlodzinski motioned to recommend to the Board of Selectmen to set a Town Meeting date based on the timeline identified by the Town Clerk in order to set a referendum date the week of November 15, 2021, seconded by R. Silberman. All members voted in favor by roll call. **MOTION CARRIED.**
10. **Public Information Sub-committee Report**
  - a. **Letter writing schedule:** Once the date is set for the Town Meeting the committee will no longer be able to advocate for the project. If a member chooses to write a letter to the paper they must note that while they are a member of the committee they are submitting the letter as a citizen.
  - b. **Presentation schedule:** Members discussed what constitutes advocacy and is permissible. Chairman Tarnowski and R. Coyle will reach out to the SEEC to clarify what will still be allowed.
11. **Owner's Representative Update**
  - a. **Town Web-site update:** The link to the project can no longer be on the town website. Town resources cannot be used in any way to advocate for the project.
12. **Open items**
  - a. **Other Funding Sources – State Bonding Commission:** No update
13. **Citizens Comments:** Deanna Bouchard does not believe the motion was made correctly, that it should have included the dollar amount of the project and the committee cannot determine a referendum date. She is in favor of the project. She cautioned that anything more than providing the date and time of the referendum could be considered advocacy and that materials developed using town funds cannot be used for presentations or in any other way once the town meeting is set.

14. **Adjournment:** K. Hastings motioned to adjourn. Chairman Tarnowski adjourned the meeting at

Submitted by,



Dawn LePage, Clerk

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