TOWN OF COLCHESTER
SENIOR CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE
AUGUST 19, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING
Colchester Senior Center - Norwich Avenue



## **MINUTES**

Members in Attendance: Tony Tarnowski, Majorie Mlodzinski, Sean Nadeau

Alternates in Attendance: Geraldine Transue, Madelyn Starkey

Members Absent: Joe Ruiz, Kevin Hastings, Ron Silberman, Marilynn Turner

Alternates Absent: None

Others Present: Director of Senior Services Patty Watts; Board of Selectman Liaison Rosemary Coyle (via phone);

Citizens: Linda Pasternak, Barbara Ferry, Lorie Callis

1. Call to Order: Chairman Tarnowski called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

- **2. Seating of Alternate members:** M. Mlodzinski motioned to make G. Transue a voting member, seconded by S. Nadeau. All members voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.
- 3. Citizens Comments: None
- 4. Discussion of Upcoming Referendum and Public Information Action: At their next meeting, the Board of Selectmen will vote to send the project to Town Meeting and referendum. November 28th is the earliest possible date that a referendum can be held. Members discussed confusion that the two proposed referendum questions could create. It will be important to make sure citizens know that both referendum questions need to pass for there to be enough funding to build a center that is equivalent to the one in which was voted on at the original referendum. Without passing both questions, the project will most likely not be able to get to a state of completion where a certificate of occupancy can be obtained. CSG is able to help with flyers to be distributed. Additional communication strategies were considered.
- 5. Citizens Comments: L. Callis spoke regarding informing citizens of the referendum.
- **6. Adjournment:** G. Transue motioned to adjourn. Chairman Tarnowski adjourned the meeting at 6:44 pm.

Submitted by,

Dawn LePage, Clerk