

TOWN OF COLCHESTER
SENIOR CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE
APRIL 28, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.
VIRTUAL MEETING

MINUTES

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Members in Attendance: Chairman Anthony Tarnowski, Vice-Chair Marilynn Turner, Sean Nadeau, Joe Ruiz, Majorie Mlodzinski, Ron Silberman, Kevin Hastings

Alternates: Geraldine Transue, Madelyn Starkey

Members Absent: None

Alternates: None

Others Present: Director of Senior Services Patty Watts, Bill Silver, Dean Petrucelli, David Stein, Dave Dickson, Matt Gallerani

1. **Call to Order:** Chairman Tarnowski called the meeting to order at 7: p.m.
2. **Seating of Alternate members:** No alternates needed.
3. **Amendments to Agenda:** None
4. **Citizens Comments:** None
5. **Approval of Minutes of March 10, 2020:** K. Hasting motioned to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2020 meeting amending to correct a spelling error in agenda item 6 to be *know* instead of *now*, seconded by M. Turner. Vote was unanimous. **MOTION CARRIED.**
6. **Correspondence:**
 - a. **Email from Sean Shoemaker/Rosemary Coyle – Emergency Shelter:** See attached.
7. **Approval of Invoices:** None
8. **A/E Services RFQ #2019-12 – Kick-off Meeting Discussion with Silver Petrucelli:** Members shared with representatives of Silver/Petrucelli what they envision or believe is important to the project. The architect discussed initial thoughts such as a two-story structure leaving a larger area that can be left for recreation, maximizing parking, and access to Town Hall. Due to Covid, the way in which to engage Seniors for input and educate citizens on the project will need to be altered from traditional methods. There is currently competitive pricing due to the pandemic. The architect will visit the Senior Center to better understand what the current situation is and what does and doesn't work.
9. **Owner's Representative RFQ discussion and possible action:**
 - a. **Review of RFQ revision including scheduled dates:** Proceeding with the process to hire an Owner's Rep is being reevaluated in light of Covid and much uncertainty in the town right now.
10. **Overall Project Schedule:** K. Hasting continues to update a draft schedule. His most recent schedule has pushed everything off by 2 months.
11. **Open Items**
 - a. **Other funding sources-Community Block Grant:** No new information at this time.
12. **Citizens Comments:** None
13. **Adjournment:** S. Nadeau motioned to adjourn. Vote was unanimously approved. Chairman Tarnowski adjourned the meeting at 8:49 p.m.

Submitted by,

Dawn LePage, Clerk

Attachments: Correspondence

From: Sean Shoemaker <firemarshal@colchesterct.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, March 18, 2020 11:07 AM
To: Rosemary Coyle <rcoyle@colchesterct.gov>
Subject: RE: Emergency Shelter in new Senior Center

Rosemary,

I had a chance to speak with Sue from the Red Cross and she agreed that Colchester's shelter should not be in the new Senior Center but in one of our schools, either BA or WJJMS. We could never build a large enough facility to serve as a shelter, the shelter at BA holds 425, and we do not have the resources available to operate a shelter on a local level without Red Cross support.

Sean

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From: Rosemary Coyle <rcoyle@colchesterct.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 10, 2020 12:39:17 PM
To: Sean Shoemaker <firemarshal@colchesterct.gov>; James Paggioli <JPaggioli@colchesterct.gov>
Cc: Tony Tarnowski <tar51214@att.net>; First Selectman <selectman@colchesterct.gov>
Subject: Re: Emergency Shelter in new Senior Center

Good afternoon Sean,
Are there any updates on this? Please advise.
Thanks,

Rosemary

From: Sean Shoemaker <firemarshal@colchesterct.gov>
Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 12:00 PM
To: Rosemary Coyle <rcoyle@colchesterct.gov>; James Paggioli <JPaggioli@colchesterct.gov>
Cc: Tony Tarnowski <tar51214@att.net>; First Selectman <selectman@colchesterct.gov>
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Rosemary,

I have not been able to identify a specific grant program for shelters. Generally those grants are more available to those municipalities the have either regional or multi-jurisdictional shelters, which would not include the new Senior Center.

I will reach out to our local DEMHS Coordinator and see if there are any programs that he knows about and can point us towards.

Regards,

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From: Rosemary Coyle <rcoyle@colchesterct.gov>

Sent: Friday, January 31, 2020 10:53 AM

To: James Paggioli <JPaggioli@colchesterct.gov>; Sean Shoemaker <firemarshal@colchesterct.gov>

Cc: Tony Tarnowski <tar51214@att.net>; First Selectman <selectman@colchesterct.gov>

Subject: Emergency Shelter in new Senior Center

At the last Senior Center Building Committee, some discussion occurred about looking into grants if we added an emergency shelter to the senior center. I offered to contact both of you as Jim you raised this with Tony and Sean you're our emergency preparedness person.

The committee was wondering if either of you had information on this, where to go about finding the information for such a grant, and how it could be pursued if this decision is made.

Any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Please respond to all so everyone is in the loop.

Thanks so much,

Rosemary