

Community Center/Library Committee
Meeting Minutes for Monday, October 3, 2022

At 5:15 p.m., prior to the beginning of the meeting Mike emailed the Architect a copy of the revised Library drawing Jennifer LaRochelle, Library Trustee, was going to present to the committee on behalf of the Library.

Mike called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. upstairs in the Town Hall

Members present were Mike, Paul, Rich, Roger, John and Audrey. Jennifer LaRochelle (Library Trustee Committee Chair was a guest representing the Library. Attending the meeting by virtual video were Peter Stewart (Architect) and Bryant Lehr (Construction Manager).

Minutes from Sept. 6, 12 and 27 were individually reviewed and approved by the committee.

Jennifer had several design suggestions to the present library plan. All the suggestions were to accomplish more open space in the library and make a place for group meetings up to sixteen persons. The Architect saw no problem with altering the present plan to accommodate the Trustees suggestions. The Architect will have the revised drawing with suggested changes to the library for the Nov. Meeting. Peter also will forward Mike the name of person(s) his company has used in the past for library furnishings. Mike will forward it to Jennifer so the Trustees can begin discussing furniture needs and layout design.

Next on the agenda was a discussion with Peter and Bryant regarding how we will be heating the new building gas, oil, solar, heat pumps, electric or a combination of them since heat pumps are only efficient down to 10 degrees. Gas has been assumed up until now but no consensus has been reached. The Architect suggested we meet with Charlie, (heat and air engineer), the system designer to get his input on costs and his recommendations. A special meeting with Charlie and the Architect will be held upstairs in the Town Office on October 13, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. to fully discuss this matter and hopefully to come to a committee consensus moving forward.

Mike is forwarding the kitchen plan to the Architect and he will get back to us about other details he needs for the design phase.

The Construction Manager, Bryant, saw no reason he could not coordinate the move of the Old Fire Station to 37 Groton Rd., under the present agreement.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting and the committee unanimously voted to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Audrey Johnson, Secretary