

Approved at the May 20, 2019, business meeting

**Town of Rehoboth
Municipal Building Study Committee
Notes of the Meeting on April 29, 2019
Location: Council on Aging Building**

Present: Frank Barresi, David Foss, Bill Maiorano, Carolyn Panofsky, Richard Panofsky, Norman Todd

Guests: Selectman James Muri; Edward Rowse, architect; Marc Zawatsky, CGA Project Management

Call to Order: 5:06 pm

1. Organization

- J. Muri led the meeting in selecting a new chair, since James Medeiros has resigned from the committee. C. Panofsky nominated Frank Barresi; D. Foss seconded. Hearing no other nominations, J. Muri called the vote. It passed unanimously.
- F. Barresi opened nominations for vice chairman, the position he had held before. F. Barresi nominated Norman Todd, appointed by the Board of Selectmen to replace J. Medeiros on the committee; C. Panofsky seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Minutes of Meeting on April 2, 2019.

- The draft had been distributed by email. D. Foss moved approval as written; C. Panofsky seconded; the motion carried.

3. Discussion of public information sessions

- The committee held our first information session on April 18 at the town hall. Three people attended. They were receptive and participated well. The pacing and messages were well received.
- D.Foss requested new photos of the police facility interior to update slides for future presentations.
- At least monthly sessions should be held during the summer, increasing in frequency as the Fall Town Meeting approaches. Objective is to provide opportunities for public input.
- We decided on requesting an opportunity to present at the meeting of the Board of Selectmen, Monday, May 28, 2019.
- Other information sessions may be held with groups that are already assembled for various purposes. Examples mentioned were the participants in a Seniors Lunch at the COA, meeting of the Antiquarian Society, a PTA meeting, Lions, The American Legion, Youth Baseball/Soccer, and the Rehoboth Block Party. We can check the events calendar. R. Panofsky will rough out a trial schedule for consideration at our next meeting.
- We would like an informational “booth” or table at the Town Meeting on May 13. D. Foss will utilize slides from the presentation to develop poster materials; the theme is an overview of progress of the steering committee with the conceptual building lay-outs. The Panofskys will ask Laura Schwall about permissions.
- R. Panofsky will contact J. Nunes about the FAQ and offer to help.
- R. Panofsky will research specifics on how seniors and others might obtain tax relief; this will be needed later, when we begin to discuss costs.

4. Other business: Any other business which may come before the MBSC

- Our current plan for the fall warrant is to present the initial \$1.1M debt exclusion request, with repayment in one year.
- R. Panofsky outlined a new analysis by the Animal Advisory Committee and the Animal Control Officer showing improvements the existing building will need if it is not replaced. He will forward

the document to M. Zawatsky and E. Rowse for help in cost estimates and to inform the “do nothing” scenario.

- The next meeting will be Monday, May 20, 2019, at 5 pm.

Adjournment

- R. Panofsky moved to adjourn at 5:50 pm; C. Panofsky seconded; the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Barresi, Chair

Richard Panofsky, Clerk

MBSC Agenda April 29, 2019

Workshop Meeting

Senior Center — 5:00 pm

Reorganization

Discussion of public information sessions

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