

Town of North Stonington
North Stonington School Modernization Project Committee
New Town Hall Conference Room
Monday, August 15 2016
7:30 PM
Meeting Minutes

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Attendance: Mike Urgo, Jay Peterson, Dan Spring, Mark Perkins, Sam Cherenzia, Dave Sellins, and Walt Mathwich.

Also present and contributing to regular order is Rusty Malik, architect for Quisenberry/Archi.

Bob Carlson joined after the call to order.

I. Call to order at 7:36 pm.

II. Order of business.

A. Correspondence. Noted communications from potential candidates for Construction Manager. Will discuss later.

B. Minutes approval.

B1. Minutes 08/01. Discussed. Motion to approve, Sam Cherenzia. Seconded Walt Mathwich. Discussed further and amended minutes. Passed minutes as amended 6 for, zero against.

B2. Minutes 08/02. Discussed. Motion to approve, Sam Cherenzia. Seconded Walt Mathwich. Motion carried 6 for and zero against.

B3. Minutes 08/04. Discussed. Motion to approve, Dan Spring. Seconded Walt Mathwich. Motion carried 6 for and zero against.

B4 . Minutes 08/08. Discussed. Motion to approve, Sam Cherenzia. Seconded Dan Spring. Motion carried 6 for and zero against.

C. Reviewed action taken by selectmen on our recommendation for architecture firm selection. Selectmen approved. Discussed need for news release. Should go onto town website and in next edition of North Stonington Quarterly. Mike Urgo will discuss the website posting with Shawn Murphy.

D. Discussed what we expect with modular. Mike Urgo pointed out our expectation is that if we use this or any type of cost saving alternative construction method, the point would be to pass savings back to the taxpayer and/or increase educational facilities for the students and faculty. Mr. Malik pointed out the need to get a construction manager on board as part of this discussion.

E. Discussed walkthrough with potential construction manager applicants.

F. Potential candidates for construction manager had mailed in questions. Discussed the questions in detail and answered. Will make the questions and answers available to all who were at the walk through. Advice was provided by Mr. Malik throughout.

G. Discussed potential secretarial needs for committee. Concern for unnecessary spending was expressed. We will bring up the topic later if the need becomes apparent and will look to reassess in May/June 2017.

H. Mr. Malik is going to work on a RFP for Phase I environment (USDA loan) and HAZMAT studies. He is getting input from civil engineering firm DTC.

III. Future strategies.

A. We will get proposals for construction manager in one week and will review them. Dave Sellins will build a ranking matrix similar to what we used for the architect position.

B. Need to build list of expenses outside architect and construction bidding. Estimates or real numbers. Pam is moving to treasurer position and will handle it.

IV. Adjourned at 9:18 pm. Motion by Dave Sellins. Seconded by Sam Cherenzia. Motion carried unanimously.