22 MAY 2014

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

BOATHOUSE/HAINS PARK IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE 7:00pm, MEETING ROOM, OLD LYME TOWN HALL

PRESENT PG Co-Chairman Paul Gianguinto PF Paul Fuchs Co-Chairman Brian Schuch Secretary BS GH Greg Hack RR Rob Roach JP John Parker PC Phil Carney SS Ex-Officio Skip Sibley Bonnie A. Reemsnyder Ex-Officio BR 67 Ning Peck NP Architect KP Kurt Prochorena Engineer ABSENT

KB Ken Biega

CALL TO ORDER> PG 7:05pm

#1 <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Tabled until after discussion with Nina Peck.

#2 <u>REPORTS FROM NCP ARCHITECTS</u>

NP presented the current drawings. The "bump" off the rear of the structure could be phased. Partitions on the first floor with need a fire rating, since there is an assembly space above.

PF asked how much of the existing building will be re-used. **NP** replied only the foundation wall along the north side.

KP presented the Master Plan, and explained that the new boathouse should be built where the existing one stands. **BS** asked where the basketball court

would be relocated to? **KP** replied that he did not yet have a suggestion, and will prepare 4 or 5 options for laying out the parking, curb cuts, green space, basketball court, etc for the next meeting. **BS** argued that siting the boathouse is premature, since the Master Plan of the site has not been studied.

SS asked if the trailers needed to be stored against the road side of the building, in the public view. **SS** and **GH** stated that the public would like to see a basketball court at Hains Park, so if it is to be demolished, it should be rebuilt.

BS noted that the project is over budget and still falls short of the space needs the rowers delineated. **BS** pointed out that money could be saved by not demolishing the Emerson Boathouse and instead re-using that space. The new boathouse could be proposed without a variance on another part of the site, and could potentially be a smaller building. Additionally, this would save money by not demolishing and rebuilding the basketball court. **PF** stated that an additional building might overwhelm Hains Park. **SS** stated that the original STEAP grant was for a renovation of the Emerson Boathouse. **BS** responded that we are not reviewing plans for a renovation; this is new construction, and it could be built on another part of the site without losing the Emerson Boathouse and basketball court.

MOTION> PF (RR) To direct the design team to prepare documents that demolish the Emerson Boathouse and basketball court, in order to locate the new boathouse on that footprint. **BS** asked to amend the motion to include re-building the basketball court elsewhere on site, however **PF** declined. 7-0-0.

PC suggested that since there are no flaws in the existing Emerson Boathouse, perhaps it could be dis-assembled and donated to another rowing program. **PC** will reach out to other rowing programs.

GH asked if **KP** could incorporate a BBQ pit and beach volleyball to the Master Plan.

MOTION> GH (PF) To direct the design team to proceed with Schematic Design of "Option 2", for submission to Zoning. 7-0-0.

#3 <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

MOTION> PF (JB) 7-0-0.

#5 <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

The next meeting will be June 5th at 7pm.

#6 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION> BS (RR) 9:14pm 7-0-0