



CITY OF DOVER

CWDAC PARK SUB-COMMITTEE - MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: McConnell Center, Room 323, 61 Locust Street, Dover, NH
Meeting Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021
Meeting Time: 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Norm Fracassa (Chair), Kim Schuman, Dane Drasher, Steve Brown

STAFF: Steve Bird – City Planner, Gary Bannon – Recreation Director

OTHERS: Beth Fischer, Jennie Marshall, others

1. Meeting was called to order at 6:07 pm

2. Approval of Minutes From October 6, 2021

Drasher motioned to approve the October 6, 2021 minutes Brown seconded. Vote: 4-0

3. Citizens Forum:

Beth Fischer: I am looking for information on the status of permits, the status of the Cathartes plans as it relates to phasing, and the potential expansion of the pavilion building.

Jennie Marshall: Great Bay Rowing has the ability to raise funds as evidenced by the \$20,000 that we contributed to the dock, we have a capital fund but need to know what we are funding and we can apply for grants. We are asking for space and use of the dock. We will open up the space to the community and we offer scholarships to Dover students and we have a director on staff.

4. Review of Crew Boat Building Options with Great Bay Rowing, UNH Crew, Berwick Academy and Northeast Passage Representatives

Bannon: UNH, Northeast Passage and Berwick could not attend tonight but I spoke with them. UNH cannot provide capital funds but could do a long term lease. Northeast is interested in using the docks but have no space needs and wants to maintain accessibility. Berwick is still gauging their level of interest, may have some space needs, but have not run any programs at site due to pandemic.

Fracassa: It would certainly be more helpful for them to be able to attend to express their interest.

Bannon: My proposal for the pavilion building is to expand the footprint by 1/3 to add a community room and more bathrooms, with storage space on the first floor for crew boat storage. Create level area at east end of building for boat lay down and washing boats. Equipment could be stored on first floor.

Marshall: The building F option could have noise issues and it is a longer distance to the dock. Unknown cost of leasing space. Need to figure that out with Cathartes.

Dasher: What would be the impact on permitting for pavilion expansion and freestanding building options?

Bird: The permits currently before DES are based on the plans that have been with them for months and we do not want to do anything to jeopardize the issuance of those permits.

Cost implications of options were discussed and Bannon suggested that impact fees could be used for park.

Bird: Jeff Hyland of Ironwood suggested washing crew boats on the docks to reduce storm water issues.

Marshall: We could do that if needed but it would be an issue of how many boats can be done at any time.

Fracassa: I am looking for information on number of people and boats, time of day and months used. We are dealing with the issue of who we are planning for and who is at the table. Looking for others to show up.

5. Discuss Next Meeting Date and Time

Next meeting will be Wednesday, December 1st at 6:00 pm.

6. Adjourn

Fracassa declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.