



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, March 8, 2023
Meeting Time: 5:00 PM

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

EXCUSED ABSENT: Liz Goldman, Steve Brown

STAFF: Steve Bird – Project Manager, Gary Bannon – Recreation Director, Chris Parker – Deputy City Manager

OTHERS: Sean Fitzgerald, Carla Goodknight, Bill Bartell, Adam Gilsdorf, Cliff Blake, Jane Hamor

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:05 pm

Fracassa asked those in attendance to state their name for the recording.

2. Approval of Minutes From February 15, 2023

Drasher motioned to approve the February 15, 2023 minutes, Fracassa seconded. Vote: 2-0, with Schuman abstaining.

3. Citizens Forum:

No One Spoke

4. Presentation of Park Building Design Options from CJ Architects

Carla Goodknight of CJ Architects presented a series of images on the bid screen of existing parks in a 5 and 10-minute walking radius of this site. She reviewed precedent photographs of park buildings. She and Bill Bartell have prepared five floor plan design options for consideration. Common features included bathrooms, vendor kiosk, porch, covered picnic tables, gateway to river, boat rental space, meeting room and mechanical room. She presented images of vendor kiosks, seating options, storage options and venue space.

The committee members asked questions and provided their first impressions of the images. Topics discussed included a much open space as possible, wind protection enclosure, wedding venue pros and cons, number of bathrooms, best floor for bathrooms, sewer access to first floor bathroom, third floor roof deck, less boat storage, dock equipment storage, art and sculptures, water bottle filler, solar panels and code compliance.

Comments from others in attendance were also provided.

CJ Architects will take this feedback and prepare more sketches of floor plans for the next meeting.

Discussed not taking a presentation to full CWDAC board until we have another sub-committee meeting.

5. Discussion of Stakeholder and Public Outreach Options

Bird explained that the City has a survey program called Polco that has been useful with the Vision Chapter. It can be placed on the City web-site and publicized through social media and Dover Download. The program tallies the results nicely. Can be used for visual preference surveys for design options.

6. Discuss Next Meeting Date and Tasks to Accomplish

Next meeting will be March 29. Between now and then send any additional comments to Bird by March 15 and he will compile and forward to CJ Architects.

7. Adjourn

Fracassa declared the meeting adjourned at 6:20 PM.