



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, April 5, 2023
Meeting Time: 5:30 PM

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

EXCUSED ABSENT:

STAFF: Steve Bird – Project Manager, Gary Bannon – Recreation Director, Jamie Stevens – Construction Manager

OTHERS: Carla Goodknight, Bill Bartell, Adam Gilsdorf, Cliff Blake, Dana Lynch, Beth Fischer, others

1. Meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm

Fracassa welcomed everyone and noted that all members were in attendance.

2. Approval of Minutes From March 8, 2023

Drasher motioned to approve the March 8, 2023 minutes, Schuman seconded. Vote: 4-0, with Goldman 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 floor plan design options for consideration. The style of the architecture was described as hub architecture with a railroad theme. A 3-D rendering of the building was shown from various angles. Common features included bathrooms, vendor kiosk, porch, covered picnic tables, gateway to river, boat rental space, and mechanical room. One option had porches on two sides and the other option included three sides of porches. They are looking for reactions to concept plans with less walls and a more open feel.

The committee members asked questions and provided their first impressions of the images. Topics discussed included dislike of train style, needs to be more similar to GBR building style, like the openness of the design, coordinate lighting with landscape plan, need security cameras, like the traditional form with a modern twist, look at Madbury library and pavilion on Heron Cover Lane in Eliot, idea of weathervane on roof, roof over restrooms doors, and flood proofing concerns.

The consensus was that option #2 was preferred.

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. It can be placed on the City web-site and publicized through social media and Dover Download. Can be used for visual preference surveys for design options. Committee to work on developing questions to include. Send ideas to Bird by April 26. Could prepare press release.

6. Discuss Next Meeting Date and Tasks to Accomplish

Next meeting will be May 3. Between now and then send any additional comments to Bird by April 12 and he will compile and forward to CJ Architects.

Fracassa encouraged members to attend City council meetings on April 12 & 26 to support resolutions.

7. Adjourn

Drasher motioned to adjourn at 7:04, Goldman seconded. Vote: 5-0.