



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, May 3, 2023
Meeting Time: 5:30 PM

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

EXCUSED ABSENT: Steve Brown

STAFF: Steve Bird – Project Manager, Gary Bannon – Recreation Director, Jamie Stevens – Construction Manager, Chris Parker – Deputy City Manager, Eric Sanderson – Facilities Project Manager

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

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

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

2. Approval of Minutes From April 5, 2023

Drasher motioned to approve the April 5, 2023 minutes, Goldman seconded. Vote: 4-0.

3. Citizens Forum: No One Spoke

4. Presentation of Revised Park Building Design Options from CJ Architects

Carla Goodknight of CJ Architects presented a revised floor plan design for consideration. The style of the architecture was described as an open design with a truss roof system, open beams and transom windows to allow light into the space. A 3-D rendering of the building was shown from various angles. The design is being integrated with the approved site plans with Horsley Witten and Ironwood.

The committee members asked questions and provided their impressions of the images.

Drasher liked the layout, openness and light. The pass through needs something in the roof, maybe lights.

Schuman thinks there has been great progress. Can we add some historical elements like a weathervane?

Bannon is looking for more contiguous space for activities and more storage space on top floor. Make the boat rental space into general storage.

Parker wants to put more funds into the top floor and less on the first floor. Bathrooms would be an issue on the first floor due to the need to pump up to the sewer lines.

Topics discussed included vandalism concerns, number of bathrooms needed, first or second floor or both, unisex design, need to add pumps and flood proofing concerns.

Fracassa liked the contemporary, fun, forward looking design. Building needs to make a statement. Likes the tiered roof design and three sided porch.

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

5. Discussion of Stakeholder and Public Outreach Options

Goldman and Brown had submitted some survey question ideas that Fracassa reviewed. Bird explained that the City has a survey program that 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. Discussed using one building design with various color and material options. Add a questions related to the use of space.

6. Discuss Next Meeting Date and Tasks to Accomplish

Staff will discuss next meeting date options for going to the full CWDAC.

7. Adjourn

Goldman motioned to adjourn at 6:58, Drasher seconded. Vote: 4-0.