

Minutes of the Capital Building Committee Meeting of Wednesday June 7, 2023. The meeting convened at 5:05 pm in the Community Room, 1700 GAR Highway, Swansea MA 02777.

Present at this time were Mr. Derek Heim, Mr. Marc Lapointe, Mr. Chris Hajder, Mr. James Carvalho, Mr. John Salzillo, Mr. John Hansen, Mr. Paul Burke, Ms. Sarah Carlson and Mr. William Anderson.

Also present at this time were representatives from CHA Consulting Inc:
Kevin Sullivan - Project Manager
Mallory Aronstein - Town Administrator

Mr. Robert Alford II arrived at 5:22 pm.

Ms. Joyce Moore - Chair of Swansea Fire Feasibility Committee arrived at 5:16 pm.

Mr. Eric Hajder - Fire Chief of Swansea arrived at 5:23 pm.

At 5:05 pm Mr. Heim called the meeting to order. The meeting is being recorded for minutes purposes.

The Committee reviewed the meeting minutes of May 24, 2023.

Mr. Lapointe **MOVED** to approve the minutes of May 24, 2023. Seconded by Mr. Hajder and so voted. Anderson, yes; Carlson, yes; Heim, yes; Burke, yes; Hansen, yes; Salzillo, yes; Carvalho, yes; Hajder, yes; Lapointe, yes; Alford, absent.

The Committee reviewed the biweekly update. Mr. Sullivan provided an update on the price proposal form T2 Architecture. Mr. Sullivan stated that their initial proposal was too high but after negotiating with them and looking at recent cost data for some of their other projects, T2 has come well below competitive pricing for their proposal. Ms. Aronstein informed the Committee of the settled price of \$259,800 and that they will be receiving a copy of the price proposal.

The Committee invited representatives from T2 to join the meeting and give a brief overview of their proposal. After hearing the proposal, the Committee had no further questions for T2.

Ms. Carlson **MOVED** to authorize Ms. Aronstein to go to the Selectmen with our recommendation to move forward with T2 Architecture. Seconded by Mr. Anderson and so voted, Alford, yes; Lapointe, yes; Hajder, yes; Carvalho, yes; Salzillo, yes; Hansen, yes; Burke, yes; Heim, yes; Carlson, yes; Anderson, yes.

Ms. Carlson **MOVED** to authorize Ms. Aronstein to appear in front of A&F and the Selectmen for the transfer of additional funds. Seconded by Mr. Anderson and so voted, Alford, yes; Lapointe, yes; Hajder, yes; Carvalho, yes; Salzillo, yes; Hansen, yes; Burke, yes; Heim, yes; Carlson, yes; Anderson, yes.

The Committee then reviewed the wetlands delineation of the Del Mac Orchard Property on Wood Street. Ms. Aronstein stated she has the relinquishment of the easement from the Registry of Deeds so the easement on the draft plan does not exist. She said the Town is awaiting the final updated plan without that easement. There were no questions from the Committee.

Mr. Hansen updated the Committee regarding the Communications Plan for the June 15th Visioning Session.

Ms. Joyce Moore and Mr. Eric Hajder presented an update to the Fire Feasibility Study and the goals of the Fire Department with the Committee. They are looking very closely at call data and facility locations.

Some of the needs discussed for the facilities are up to date fire codes, appropriate space for volunteers, safety needs and equipment. The Fire Feasibility Study Committee is working on an appropriate plan while trying to be very sensitive financially to the other projects going on in town.

Mr. Heim added that alignment amongst our groups is extremely crucial at this time and the Town can have it all, they just need to have the will to work together. Mr. Heim asked Ms. Moore and Mr. Hajder when the study and data will be available to the public. Mr. Hajder replied late July or August.

Ms. Aronstein asked the Committee if they would have any objections televising these meetings in the future, most likely starting early July. There were no objections from the Committee.

Mr. Heim said the next meeting will be held June 21, 2023, 5:00 pm at this location.

At 6:18 pm Mr. Carvalho **MOVED** to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Hadjer and so voted. Alford, yes; Lapointe, yes; Hajder, yes; Carvalho, yes; Salzillo, yes; Hansen, yes; Burke, yes; Heim, yes; Carlson, yes; Anderson, yes.

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brittany Messier". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Respectfully submitted by Brittany Messier, Minutes Clerk for Capital Building Committee

Documents:

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BiWeekly Update

Communications Plan update

Fire Feasibility Study - review, discuss and act on findings