## **Sterling Senior Center Building Committee**

Butterick Municipal Building - COA Room June 25, 2015 - 6:35 PM

## **MINUTES**

**Present:** Chair Maureen Cranson, Vice-Chair Michael Padula, Kevin Beaupre, Robert Bloom, Ronald Cote, Richard Maki, Weymouth Whitney. TA Michael Szlosek, COA Director Karen Phillips. OPM: Michael Josefek, Peter Kozcera and Debbie Miller. Architects: Peter Turowski and Libby Turowski.

6:00 pm: Ceremonial shovels-in-the-ground pictures at building site.

**Open Meeting:** Ms. Cranson opened the meeting at 6:35 PM.

**Approval of Minutes:** The Minutes of 6-18-2015 were approved as written following a motion by Mr. Beaupre and second by Mr. Whitney. VOTE: YEA = 7, NAY = 0.

**ACG Report of Construction Meeting:** Mr. Josefek said that the formal construction meeting was not held today other than informal conversation earlier this evening. T2 has received the submittal for rebar from the contractor. ACG found four testing firms and will likely go with the most local company if the quote is in the expected range. ACG has also relocated their corporate offices recently.

Committee Updates: Ms. Phillips and Mr. Maki measured the vans and forwarded the data to Ms. Cranson. Mr. Padula said that the project (shed construction) would be a prevailing wage job and that he needed an idea of the suggested building size. (Later, the Committee agreed on 30' x 30'). Mr. Szlosek agreed with the need for prevailing wage and the Committee discussed the project type and size to better prepare a proposal to MART. Doors needed to be 12 feet to safely accommodate the height of the vans. Due to the width of the vans/fixed mirrors, the building width should be 28-30 feet. Mr. Whitney, seconded by Mr. Bloom motioned to build a garage rather than a pole barn or open shelter. Motion to that effect passed, YEA = 6, NAY = 1. More discussion about the projected cost with Mr. Josefek indicating that \$100 per square foot might be reasonably expected. ACG will look further into construction estimates and share a couple of prices next meeting. Group consensus was that cost would drive the size and style of the building.

**Discussion and Vote on Add-Ins:** Discussion of the potential add-ins consumed the next 55 minutes after which Ms. Cranson asked each Committee member, town representative, the Owner's Project Manager and the Architects for their top three/four suggestions. A summary of remarks are as follows:

Mr. Cote: Increase plantings and seeding in buffer zone

Provide better attic access for mechanicals – stairs not ladder

Mr. Bloom: 20 foot covered entry – T2 responds not possible with parking area nearby

Terrace added to back (west) of building

**Install LED lighting** 

Mr. Padula Landscaping needed – plantings and seeding for appearance

Attic access needed

LED lighting for future cost control, efficiency

Mr. Beaupre Paint the building, siding and PVC sealed and more attractive. Note:

To reduce budget, last estimate prepared by T2 did not include additional painting of siding (only pre-primed) nor the PVC trim. Concept also

supported by Peter Turowski and later by Peter Kozcera He was OK with spending up to \$15,000 for a metal van shelter

Interior flooring should include some carpets

Mr. Whitney Encouraged decision on the flooring

Attic access very important

Asked about concrete walkway from exit to parking area – all OK

Preserve the building with painted surfaces

Mr. Maki Preserve the building with paint for siding and all PVC trim

Install LED lighting for efficient illumination

Good quality 2 x 2' ceiling tiles desirable for appearance inside

Install swipe card access to main building entry

Ms. Phillips Outdoor terrace desirable

Need attic access for mechanicals/storage

Upgrade all finishes

Mr. Josefek Get price for added insurance for fifty year shingles

Mr. Szlosek Consider emergency generator

Paint exterior siding and PVC trim

ACG Paint exterior

Landscape improvements

Attic access

T2 Paint exterior

Consider carpet for portions of the building

Landscape improvements

Maureen Paint exterior

Install carpet in some sections of building

Attic access issue

Install an outside terrace on west side of building

**Discussion of places to carpet:** Libby recommended carpet in game room, library area and hallways approaching the vestibule area. Consensus was high. No carpet in kitchen, large meeting room, vestibule area, shine/nurse's room. Ms. Phillips said the COA board did not want carpeting because of need for added maintenance with spills, preferring all tile/vinyl floor tiles or linoleum. T2 will price out carpet vs. other flooring.

Mr. Beaupre made a motion, seconded by Mr. Padula to absolutely include finishing painting of all exterior surfaces – siding and PVC trim. VOTE: YEA = 7, NAY = 0.

Mr. Turowski and Mr. Maki discussed the ceiling height (9' 6") and what would be required if the Committee preferred higher ceilings in the large meeting room. Discussion occurred citing the significant cost (previously included at \$47,000) of making the change. A VOTE: YEA = 5, NAY = 2, to consider adjusting the ceiling height failed, the height remains at  $\sim$ 9' 6".

T2 left the meeting at 8:02 pm after their portion of the discussion concluded.

**Open Discussion:** Ms. Cranson will assemble the final summary of major Add-In priorities and will distribute them to all parties. ACG will run the numbers on the proposed van shelter.

**Adjournment:** Mr. Padula motioned for adjournment seconded by Mr. Beaupre at 8:12 PM. VOTE: YEA = 7, NAY = 0.

**Next meeting:** July 16, 2015 in the COA Room.

Respectfully yours, Richard H. Maki Richard H. Maki, Clerk