

Meeting Minutes September 15th, 2016 – 7:00 PM Town of Hanover

The following minutes are from the Sylvester School Redevelopment Committee meeting held on Thursday, September 15th, 2016 in Hanover Town Hall.

Sylvester School Redevelopment Committee Meeting Attendees:

Present: David Delaney, Joseph Rull, Louise Sironi, Heidi Cho, Christopher Martin and John Galluzzo

Absent: Douglas Thomson

Review a draft report for the Special Town Meeting

Joseph Rull, Chairman of the Sylvester School Redevelopment Committee, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The committee reviewed the one-page draft report to the Board of Selectmen, which will be presented at the Special Town Meeting. The committee agreed to keep the report concise for the purpose of the town meeting. The committee recognized the two options to date, including selling the property or issuing a long term lease. The committee made minor corrections on the report. Chris Martin made a motion to accept the narrative as amended. John Galluzzo seconded the motion. All others voted in favor.

Joseph Rull, Chairman of the Sylvester School Redevelopment Committee, has been talking to Libby Corbo, Hanover School Committee member, about coordinating presentation on the Special Town Meeting. The draft report will be presented to the Board of Selectmen as part of School Committee's Center School expansion presentation.

Schedule for the next public meeting

The committee planned the next public meeting for October 12th. The committee agreed this meeting should be an open forum format to allow the residents to gather the community's thoughts and ideas on the Sylvester School redevelopment. The committee noted that, in the case that the Center School expansion project does not pass in the Special Town Meeting, this meeting will not be held. The Board agreed the next meeting will be on October 12th, 2016, at 7PM in the Town Hall Hearing Room, first floor.

Other matters on the agenda

The committee reviewed the current expenditures for the Sylvester School. The committee reviewed the construction estimates for the ADA requirements from Maguire Group inc., which was conducted in 2012. The committee asked for an updated estimate from 2016. The committee reviewed the current housing status information provided by Heidi Cho, Associate Planner. The committee recognized that the projected growth in senior population (65+) in Hanover is forty nine percent. The finding supports the need of senior housing in Hanover. The committee said there is not currently sufficient room for seniors, as the tax and housing prices rising in Hanover. They recognized the strong need for affordable senior housing as discussed

in the previous meetings. The committee also mentioned that they need to plan for the long-term, and use whatever Hanover has as an asset to make it "awesome."

Review meeting minutes

The committee reviewed the meeting minutes from August 19th, 2016. The committee made minor changes to the meeting minutes. Dave Delaney made motion to approve the minutes as amended. Louis Sironi seconded the motion. All others voted in favor. The committee reviewed the meeting minutes from June 30th, 2016. The committee made minor changes to the meeting minutes. Chris Martin made motion to approve the minutes as amended. Dave Delaney seconded the motion. All others voted in favor.

The next Sylvester School Redevelopment meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12th at 7 p.m. John Galluzo made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Delaney seconded the motion. All others voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Heidi Cho Associate Planner