

MEETING of the Senior Center Feasibility Study Committee held Wednesday, April 2, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. in the Town Building, 105 Harrisville Main St., Harrisville.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Shirley Hodson, Ronald Blanchard, Raymond Menard and Mona Minutelli.

OTHERS PRESENT: Alternate Richard Rouleau as a voting members, Planning Board Liaison Bruce Ferreira and Town Council Liaisons Nancy F. Binns and John Michael Karmozyn, Jr..

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

Business considered and acted upon:

1. VOTED to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of the Senior Center Feasibility Study Committee held on March 19, 2008, and dispense with the reading of said minutes.

Motion by Ronald Blanchard. Seconded by Mona Minutelli. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Shirley Hodson, Ronald Blanchard, Raymond Menard, Mona Minutelli and Richard Rouleau. Albert Lapierre was excused.

2. Unfinished business:

Correspondence from Bruce Ferreira, Planning Board liaison, regarding consistency with the Burrillville Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion: Planning Board Liaison Bruce Ferreira outlined the initial development of the Town's Comprehensive Plan and how it relates to development and availability of state funding. Mr. Ferreira stated that in considering approval of a plan for a senior center, the Planning Board will first ask if the site is in compliance with the Comprehensive Plan, and that the current proposed site did not appear to be consistent with the Comprehensive Plan.

At Mrs. Hodson's request, a list of current members of the Planning Board was distributed. Mrs. Hodson voiced her concerns about the Planning Board's approval and reiterated the amount of time and effort the committee has spent on researching a site for the Senior Center project.

Raymond Menard stated that he was prepared to make a motion for the Committee to ask the Town Council to allocate funds to conduct an engineering study to determine cost estimates for site remediation and building on the police station lot.

Town Council Liaison Nancy F. Binns explained the purpose of the

appointment of this committee as a feasibility study committee.

There was discussion of alternate sites that could be considered. Richard Rouleau questioned if there are other available, appropriate 5-acre sites in town, as this was identified as a requirement by the Senior Center Task Force.

Bruce Ferreira stated that he will bring up for discussion the current proposed site to the Planning Board at its next meeting on April 7.

VOTED to table the discussion until a future meeting.

Motion by Raymond Menard. Seconded by Ronald Blanchard. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Shirley Hodson, Ronald Blanchard, Raymond Menard, Mona Minutelli and Richard Rouleau. Albert Lapierre was excused.

3. Review/consider/act on pending issues: None

4. Review and discuss the items proposed for future meetings: None

5. VOTED to adjourn at 11:02 A.M.

Motion by Ronald Blanchard. Seconded by Mona Minutelli. The vote was unanimous. Voting in favor of the motion were Shirley Hodson, Ronald Blanchard, Raymond Menard, Mona Minutelli and Richard Rouleau. Albert Lapierre was excused.

Shirley Hodson, Chair
