

LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE

Committee Members:

Jim Morelli, Jr., Chair
Paul Champagne, Vice Chair
Mary Baker
Severino Bovino
Mark Lovley
Paul Mazzaccaro
Brian Oblon
Mark Sciota or designee
Jeff Swain
Robert Tonon
Ralph Warner

Ex-Officio Members:

Kristi Sadowski, Library Director
Architect Rep.,
Ron Paolillo, Jim Barrett (by phone)
Drummey Rosane Anderson, Inc.
Construction Manager Rep.,
Tim Kostuk, Construction Manager
The Whiting-Turner Contracting Co.

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, September 7, 2022 – 6:00 p.m.

Southington Public Library – 255 Main St.

1. Call to Order

Mr. Morelli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

The following participated: Chair Jim Morelli, Jr., Vice-Chair Paul Champagne, Kristi Sadowski, Mary Baker, Severino Bovino, Paul Mazzaccaro, Mark Lovley, Robert Tonon, Brian Oblon, Ralph Warner, Mark Sciota, Jeff Swain.

*Mr. Sciota reported that the State Librarian gave no options so he voluntarily forfeited the grant.

3. Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Special Meeting on August 24, 2022

Mr. Champagne motioned to approve Special Meeting Minutes on August 24, 2022. Seconded by Mr. Lovley and unanimously by members present.

4. Report of Construction Manager

Mr. Kostuk said that the plumbing connection is drawn and that mechanicals are under way. Material components are tracked daily due to supply chain pricing escalation. Numbers will not be ready for the meeting on September 21st. A special meeting will be scheduled on September 28th.

5. Report of Architectural Representative

Mr. Paolillo presented an update of the schematic design based on 24,000 s.f. continuing with the theme of flexibility and functionality. Building centered along Main Street so that vehicular traffic sees a clear point of entry. Plans are updated to include a one-way drop off for books and vehicular signage. For the first floor the density for shelving is reduced for more flexibility for the community pavilion and Makerspace. It also provides proper scaling for children to access the shelves. For the second floor, the rest rooms will be moved to allow more room for storage and receiving area for patrons. Development continues for counter access which can be used for workspace. Mr. Kostuk has copies of the updates. Mr. Barrett suggested that the structural engineer be consulted regarding accommodating solar on the roof. A sloped roof faces south and will not allow shadowing.

6. Public Communications*

Joanne Kelleher, 861 Savage Street, said that she is concerned about the size of the Children's' Department; space for pre-play and accommodating both toddlers and parents.

Terry Lombardi, 27 Royal Oak Drive, said that there is money available (in the thousands) in both the Capital Campaign Fund and in the Friends of the Library Fund to be used specifically for building a new library. She suggested that these funds be reviewed so that they can be put toward the library's needs.

7. Any Other Business

Mr. Champagne said that the design for the library should be formally identified now that a decision has been made regarding the grant.

Mr. Champagne motioned that Site C be formally identified as the library plan. Seconded by Mr. Lovley and unanimously by members present.

Mr. Champagne motioned that the town go out to bid for test borings.

Mr. Champagne amended the motion to include geotech study. Seconded by Mr. Lovley and unanimously by members present.

Three formal bids are required if the price exceeds \$50,000. It is estimated that the cost may be \$75,000.

There is data available going back eight years for Phase 1 for an environmental study. Mr. Tonon suggested that the town go out to bid for an environmental study for a best price.

Mr. Tonon motioned that the town proceed with an environmental study. Seconded by Mr. Lovley and unanimously by members present.

8. Adjournment

Mr. Sciota motioned to adjourn at 7:30 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Champagne and unanimously by members present.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dawn Guite

Dawn Guite, Recording Secretary

**Remarks of any qualified elector or taxpayer (town resident over age 18) shall, in the discretion of the Chair, be limited to 3 minutes.*