

## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **Community Facilities Building Committee January 11, 2023 via Zoom**

#### **Present Members:**

Lori Hayes-O'Brien  
Dawn Cantafio  
Mike Buswell (7:01pm)  
Dean Fabrizio (7:03pm)  
Ron Foligno  
Dave Galla  
Gail Ritacco  
Tony Silber

**Absent Members:** None

#### **Also Present:**

Rocco Petitto – QA&M Architecture  
Cindy Katske – Chief Administrative Officer  
George Estrada – Public Works Director  
William Maurer – Town Engineer  
Rich Infante – Highway Department  
Dan Schopick – Town Attorney

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

#### **Public Comment:**

Mike Ganino, 3 Canterbury Lane, shared that he had 250 signed letters from Trumbull Seniors supporting the building of a new Senior Center. Mr. Ganino stated that Seniors make up more than 30% of Trumbull's population and that the current facility is in disrepair and would need extensive work.

Richard White, 169 Church Hill Road, thanked the chair for stating at the Town Council meeting that there were no plans to have trail access be included in the project. He also voiced his concerns about impervious surfaces, requested georeferenced drawings be included in any site plans and made suggestions about the dissemination of information to the public regarding the traffic and environmental studies.

#### **Approval of December 14, 2022 Minutes:**

MOTION MADE (Galla), seconded (Cantafio) to approve December 14, 2022 regular meeting minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

#### **Executive Session – Phase II Environmental Study Proposals:**

MOTION MADE (Cantafio), seconded (Ritacco) to enter executive session to discuss environmental study proposals and include Mr. Petitto, Ms. Katske, Mr. Estrada, Mr.

Maurer, Mr. Infante and Attorney Schopick in said session. The motion carried unanimously.

The committee entered Executive Session at 7:10pm

MOTION MADE (Cantafio), seconded (Galla) to leave executive session and return to the public meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The Committee returned from executive session at 7:58pm.

MOTION MADE (Silber), seconded (Fabrizio) to approve the environmental study proposal from Fuss & O'Neill in the amount of \$29, 500. The motion carried (7-0-1). *Mike Buswell abstained.*

**New Business:**

A discussion of the CFBC update at the January 5, 2023 Town Council meeting ensued. The committee clarified that they did not believe that the project at Hardy Lane should include access to the Pequonnock Trail. Reasons for that decision included impracticality, environmental impact, no significant value to the project and not part of this committee's charge.

The chair noted that the timeline for both the Traffic Study and the Environmental Study were not completely clear at this time. The availability of each of the chosen companies would drive that schedule.

Mr. Buswell questioned whether the proposals could be made available to the committee and explained that the reason he had abstained from the vote is that he struggled to read the environmental study proposals thoroughly and was not comfortable voting despite the lengthy discussion. It was clarified that the accepted contracts are public information once they are signed and will be sent to the committee.

**Adjournment:**

MOTION to adjourn made by Vice Chairman Cantafio, seconded by Mr. Foligno. The motion carried unanimously. The January 11, 2023 Regular Meeting of the Trumbull Community Facilities Building Committee adjourned at 8:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Hayes-O'Brien