

Community Center Steering Committee

Meeting Minutes: July 2, 2018

In attendance: Tanya Thayer, Kellie Demers, Todd Smith, Julie Hoyle, Tim Neill

Meeting opened at: 6:11 P.M.

Kellie noted that the Portsmouth Public Library provided their General Building factsheet. The handout was shared with those present.

Discussed the site visit to Portsmouth. Julie noted that the functions were spread out (quiet spots, community rooms, etc.) Julie mentioned that the Maine State Library recommends planning 20 years out, not 10. Discussion ensued about the ideas that the site visit generated. Tim said that Kellie had mentioned at the time that we were a steering committee. Our recommendation will first go to the Selectmen for their consideration. Tim sent a thank you card to PPL Director Steve Butzel on behalf of the Committee.

Discussed the timeline for our recommendations to the Selectmen, the original mandate was to return in a year, but Chairman Abbott said that was flexible.

Tanya suggested that the members think about the needs for a new facility in the time before the next meeting. The Library, Parks and Rec Directors would cover their facilities, Tanya would consider kitchen equipment and space. Kellie would look at fundraising, Tim would consider the actual structure and building issues.

Facebook update by Tanya. Nothing new to report. Thought we should post a question about which facilities the public would recommend for site visits.

Tanya also recommended that the Committee consult the Comprehensive Plan for relevant information.

Due to the busy summer schedule Todd made a motion to cancel the July 16 meeting, seconded by Julie, vote was unanimous in favor.

Approval of the June 4 minutes was postponed.

Next meeting will be: August 6.

Todd made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Tanya, vote was unanimous in favor.

Adjourned at: 7:07 P.M.