

EMERY REUSE ADVISORY COMMITTEE
RECORD OF MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, May 30, 2017

Present: Patrick Angland, Jr.
John Deady
Cathy Torrey
Dorothy Chase
Beth Morley
Stanley Benulis
David Donahue (7:40)
Jodi Purdy-Quinlan (7:45)

Not Present: Ken DiFazio
John Dwyer, Jr.
Barbara Cellucci
Ken Ryder
Sachin Suryawanshi
Brian Leonard

Staff: Nick Bulens, Administrative Services Coordinator

Recording Secretary: Janet Murray

The Emery Reuse Advisory Committee meeting was called to order by Chair Cathy Torrey at 7:19 pm.

Approval of Minutes: May 16, 2017, May 23, 2017

Dorothy Chase made a motion to accept the minutes from May 16, 2017 and was seconded by Patrick Angland. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Jodi Purdy-Quinlan made a motion to accept the minutes from May 23, 2017 and was seconded by Patrick Angland. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Final Review and Approval of Business Plan

John Deady stated that he believes the committee's objective is to present as many options as possible. He noted that the Town purchased the 24 acres for \$1.8 million. He proposed an option to carve out 2-3 acres, which could be sold with very specific restrictions to maintain the character of the building. It was determined that this option would be incorporated into the business plan under "Additional Considered Uses."

Cathy Torrey handed out a memorandum from Jon Sapphire of Sapphire Event Group and Mark Richard of HRI Services Inc. Both men had appeared before the committee on May 23 to discuss use of the Emery house as a wedding venue. Although the

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committee had already decided upon its recommendation of an event venue/cultural center managed by a not-for-profit organization, the committee invited Jon and Mark to submit a brief memo, which the committee could review. It was determined that the memo should be attached to the business plan and that the proposed use be incorporated into the plan under "Additional Considered Uses."

The committee continued to work through the final review of the business plan.

John Deady made a motion to accept the business plan with all edits, as prepared by Beth Morley, and was seconded by Patrick Angland. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Old Business

King Oak Hill Park Project Update

Nicholas Bulens gave an update on the King Oak Hill Park Project. He stated that construction plans are expected to reach 75% completion by June 21 and 100% completion by mid-July, barring no delays. The project could go out to bid by August, with a ground-breaking to follow in September.

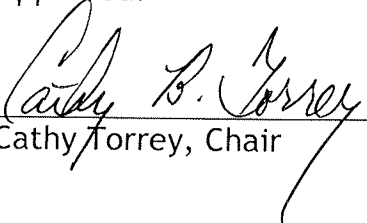
There was discussion about the existing gardens at or near the proposed pavilion site. It was requested that the Town contact the Weymouth Garden Club to move and preserve several plantings.

Nicholas Bulens stated that the Children's Playhouse will be removed from the site or demolished. The Mayor hopes to reach out to the community for a person or organization to take the structure and preserve it.

Adjournment

Dorothy Chase made a motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm and was seconded by Jodi Purdy-Quinlan. UNANIMOUSLY VOTED.

Approved:


Cathy Torrey, Chair

6-29-17
Date