

Facilities Master Plan Committee
January 18, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.
Town Offices – Meal Site

Members Present: Jim Ayres, Robert Barker, Kim Boas, Carol Conz, Nick Dines, Fred Goodhue, Charlene Nardi, Eric Weber

Members Absent: Mitch Cichy

Others:

Opened the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Unanimously voted to approve Minutes of 01/12/17. (Motion - FG, RB).

Review of the draft report: Changes:

Confirmed the Approach was well written and reflected the discussion. Thanks to Jim Ayres.

Bob noted that the 3rd bullet point should be rewritten as follows: “Considering the costs, it is unlikely that the town can undertake a new complex while simultaneously renovating the HEJ for the Town Office operations and Senior Center functions.”

Members noted that the recommendation to retain the HEJ for town operations should be higher up in the bullet points. Rewrite the 2nd bullet point to highlight that point.

Committee thanked Bob for condensing the recommendations into the summary.

Presentation points: Figuring out better facility for Fire/Police/EMS is town’s highest priority; however, the FMPC feels that the program and site need to be reviewed for the best design and location. The HEJ should be retained and it is recommended that the Town use it at least in part for the Town Office operations and Senior Center functions. All decisions should address more than one issue / departmental need / importance to the community.

Change the word legible in two places to navigable.

On pages 45 & 79, remove the words “confirm” and change to “It is the Committee’s understanding...”

Committee members discussed that there was still work to be done and still options to more fully explore. Every member didn’t agree with every statement, but it was an accurate reflection of the information and discussions had in fuller text. It was stated that the report is from the work that could be done in the time allotted to the FMPC. Concerns were expressed that the Town should not completely abandon buildings even if the recommendation is to surplus them because action on the recommendations will take time.

FMPC unanimously (KB, ND) voted to accept the report with the changes.

Adjourned at 5:30 p.m.