

MEETING MINUTES

Permanent Municipal Building Committee (PMBC)

Wednesday, July 18, 2018, 7:00 p.m.

Town Building, Board of Selectman Room

Attendees:

PMBC Members:	James Riley, Eric Sheffels, Michael Gitten
High School Athletic Fields:	Jeanne Downs
Loker Recreation Field:	Asa Foster, Brud Wright
Ex Officio:	Ben Keefe
Guests:	Lynn Stapleton, Brandon Kunkel, Cassidy Chroust

Meeting called to order at 7:04 p.m. by James Riley, who stated the meeting was being video-recorded by WayCAM.

Public Comment

None

High School Athletic Fields and Stadium Renovations and Loker Recreation Field – discussion of in-fill materials, possible vote on recommendations

Members stated that after a thorough analysis of Weston & Sampson's presentations and public engagement, they feel comfortable recommending crumb rubber as an in-fill material for the High School and Loker Recreation Field. They noted that the product has improved significantly since 2008. Recent studies confirm its safety. The DPW's robust testing of the wells show no harmful effects to the public drinking water. Mike requested that the ASTM standard should be obtained for back-up for future meetings with the Board of Health and Conservation Commission.

Motion made by Eric Sheffels, seconded by James Riley, that having examined the health, safety and environmental impact of various infill alternatives, we believe crumb rubber, on balance, to be our recommended alternative for the High School and Loker Recreation projects and approved with a vote of 6-0-0.

Mike Gitten will attend the next School Committee meeting when a vote on this recommendation will be taken.

Loker Recreation Field – project update and budget review

Brandon provided a project update and budget reconciliation. Lighting, trees, ledge and drainage represent 80% of the increase cost for the project. Chapters 193 and 194 that relate to trees were discussed. Recreation members stated they do not want to change the project's scope. Savings may be obtained if tree replacement costs can be reduced.

High School Athletic Fields and Stadium Renovations – project update, budget review. Possible vote regarding field sub drainage system recommendations.

Weston & Sampson provided a project update and budget reconciliation. Members stated that liners are not deemed necessary based on the current field's effective drainage performance. Members reviewed all line items and discussed potential savings. Members directed W & S to eliminate the stairway access from the Field House to the field, saving approximately \$25,000.

Other items identified that could provide savings: bleachers storage/structure; reduce the entry plaza; eliminate softball field irrigation; drainage; decrease trees; and eliminating ADA access to the Press Box. Alternatives to the ADA ramp are more expensive. W & S stated they believe that according to code, ADA access is not required for a structure under 500'. This will be verified with our building commissioner. Members requested input from the School Committee on whether to eliminate ADA access to the Press Box.

Contingency is reduced from 10% to 7%. The combined savings could amount to \$500,000, resulting in an overall cost of \$6.6 million.

The Athletic Director requested a lacrosse wall be installed paid for outside funds. Eric asked for a creative approach to this request. Ben will coordinate what to do with existing storage sheds.

Brandon mentioned that the DPW is exploring whether it's possible to relocate 2 water lines that run under the tennis and basketball courts. This would be funded by the DPW.

Eric alerted W & S about an area with drainage concerns. Recreation members asked the cost for lighting the softball field now or providing the infrastructure for future use.

Ben reported the NOI must go out tomorrow.

Approval of Minutes

Members reviewed the minutes of 6/26/18 and 7/10/18.

Motion made by Eric Sheffels, seconded by Mike Gitten, to approve the minutes of 6/26/18 as amended and 7/10/18 and approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

Members' Concerns

Ben addressed an administrative issue. All members now have a town email. Ben can only communicate with members using the town email. This is part of upgrading Town security and legal issues. This will facilitate Freedom of Information Act requests. IT will help members link Town emails with individuals emails' calendars.

Other business not reasonably anticipated by the Chair 48 hours prior to meeting.

None

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn made by James Riley, seconded by Jeanne Downs, and approved with a vote of 5-0-0.

Meeting adjourned at 10:02 p.m.