



TOWN OF WAKEFIELD, NEW HAMPSHIRE
Parks and Recreation
Building Committee Minutes
March 11, 2022
Approved

MEMBERS		MEMBERS		ADMINISTRATORS	
Priscilla Colbath	✓	Tom Daniels	✓	Wayne Robinson	✓
Denny Miller	✓	Tom Dube		Alyssa Hall	✓
Bo Keating	✓				
Howie Knight	✓				
John Myers	✓				

Others present

Town Administrator Dino Scala, Selectmen Charlie Edwards

The Committee met at 9:00 am to discuss the vote on the Multi-Generational Center and to decide on the next steps. Mr. Robinson said we won the majority vote (491-452) but did not get the 3/5's required number for a bond. This shows that the majority of the voters are in favor of a Multi-Generational Building. The Selectmen met Wednesday night and encouraged the committee to continue moving forward with this project securing hard number to present to the public which would include grants and donations, in order to lower the 7 million dollar figure. Mr. Fifield suggested having a contractor on the committee. Mr. Robinson contacted Tom Dube and he agreed to serve.

It was suggested that Parks & Rec have a booth on Pride Day and raffle a large, donated item. Fundraising will be an integral part of this process. We discussed available grants and finding others to pursue. We will see if grants are available for emergency shelters. Future items could be selling a brick with the donors name, Naming a room with the donors name on a plaque etc.

The committee will work throughout the year to compile a comparison sheet which will include staff costs, cost to run the new building versus the present building. Present revenues and projected revenues will be gathered.

Mr. Robinson found out that the required environmental assessment will cost \$5,500. The Committee discussed needing a grant writer. Mr. Robinson will touch bases with Jenn and Autumn of SRPC. Mrs. Colbath will get in touch with the Library Treasurer, Dick DesRoches to see if we can get information on the donor letter the Library sent out.

It was suggested that perhaps the building be reduced in size. Mr. Robinson has contacted a company to see what the savings would be for a smaller size gym.

RFP's are due in on March 25th and the Committee will meet on Monday, April 4th at 9:00 am. Mr. Scala will invite Jeb Bradley to this meeting to discuss possible available state money for this project. Former member Dave Tinkham will also be invited.

Mr. Myers, Mr. Keating and Mrs. Colbath will work on establishing a 501c3.

Respectfully submitted for approval at the next Building Committee meeting,

Priscilla Colbath
Building Committee Secretary