

Town of Groton
Select Board Work Session Minutes
March 21, 2017

In attendance: Christina Goodwin, John Rescigno, Kyle Andrews and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant - AA)

Christina called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Building Committee

In attendance: Christina Goodwin, John Rescigno, Kyle Andrews, Glen Hansen, Robert Ellis, EJ Thompson, and Sara Smith (Administrative Assistant - AA)

Absent: Roger Thompson

Christina explained that we wanted to meet to update the full Committee with the status of the project. The Board felt that we were trying to rush to get the project ready for Town Meeting and agreed that we needed to take a step back.

It was explained we received two proposals: CCI and Turnstone. We had to ask for more information from CCI. Sara has the proposals in her office for everyone to come in and review or each member could take the proposals to review and provide feedback at the next meeting. Bubba took the proposals first.

EJ asked what the plan is. Christina explained that she believes that we should first choose the company and then start in stages. We would have them come up and start with where it is going to go, do site work, and work on septic and well, etc. Kyle said he would like to see this get started this summer, so people can see what is going on and the Committee is actually doing something. Bubba said he would like to see it leveled out.

Christina said the other piece is that we cannot do any more improvements to the Town Pound, such as the trail, until it is decided where the building will go. Christina said we need to have another meeting about this. The Pound isn't restored, but trees were cut and leaves cleaned up. There should be more trees cut and more clean up needs to be done along with restoring the stone walls. Christina said we could also meet with the Historical Society to see what their thoughts are on the Pound. Kyle thinks we should do a plaque on a stand that explains what it is.

Kyle confirmed that we put another \$25,000.00 it to the Building Capital Reserve Fund (CRF), which increased it to approximately \$65,000.00. We could start clearing the land and take money out of this CRF. Bubba said it would be nice to know where the ledge is but it will need a big dozer up there to get to it.

Christina mentioned that CCI has the DOT driveway permit on there but we already have done that. Christina thinks we should apply to DOT for an extension for three years on the driveway permit. Sara will contact them and ask them.

Bubba mentioned that Dorchester's minutes said that they have a young person that is doing the grant writing for them. Christina explained we can look into this but we need a plan in order to get a grant. This is a great idea because it will help us out. We can also look into other grant writers. Sara will look into this and reach out to the school. Sara will also reach out to Dorchester about this.

Christina mentioned everyone should look over the proposals, make notes of suggestions, etc. We will meet again June 6 at 6:00pm.

Sara will reach out to the companies again and let them know we will plan on meeting on June 6 regarding the proposals and will reach back out to them afterward.

The Select Board agreed that they would meet at the Town Pound on May 2 at 5pm to get a better idea on what we should do for that part of the project.

Having no other business to conduct, Kyle motioned to adjourn at 6:45 pm, Christina 2nd, so voted.

Respectfully submitted
Sara Smith
Administrative Assistant