Scituate Adaptive Building Reuse Committee

Meeting Minutes: May 5th, 2016

Members Attending: Karen Pritchard, Patricia Lambert, Stephanie Holland, Gordon Price, Larry Guilmette, Maura Dawley, Bob DeLorenzo Al Bangert

7:00 PM - Meeting called to order at Scituate Maritime Center

Committee Chair, Karen Pritchard, reviewed presentation, which provided the committees best thinking with regard to the options for the Gates property as well as the Fire Station and Police headquarters located on Chief Justice Cushing Highway.

The committee options were narrowed to two (2):

## 1. Relocate Town Hall from its current location to the Gates Building and the CJC campus becomes playing fields.

This would allow for all Town departments to be located together supporting the Durkee Brown Programming study. This option also provides a desirable option for a new Senior Center to be located behind the new TH.

The drawbacks to this option are all costs are incurred at once.

## 2. Raze the Gates School and use the property for town recreation.

This option maintains the property for town use and control and supports further study and planning for a new or renovated Town Hall. The downside to this option is it does not meet the programming needs as detailed in the Durkee Brown study.

It was also noted that the committee sees no further use by the town for either the current senior center, Fire station #3 and the current police headquarters. The recommendation is for the fire and police buildings to be razed and for the current senior center to be sold if/when a new center is constructed.

Chairperson Pritchard also outlined the key questions and issues that the committee has studied and investigated but need more work and appropriate input from content experts. Specifically:

- The specific costs of each of the two (2) options
- The value of both the Gates and the CJC campus if sold and the incremental tax revenue

- Zoning issues
- The intrinsic value of the Gates building to the town

The follow-up item requested input from each committee member to the presentation for the eventual reveal to the Board of Selectmen and Town Administrator.

There was no new business.

Next Meeting: Thursday, May 19th at 7:00PM Town Hall.

Motion to adjourn made by K. Pritchard at 8:45pm and seconded by M. Dawley.

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Bob DeLorenzo