Minutes

Town of Heath Facilities Task Force

1/9/2020

- The meeting was called to order at 6:03. Members present were Dena Briggs, Jim Cerone, Sue Lively, Bill Gran, and Will Emmet. Margaret Freeman was in the audience.
- Minutes from 1/2/20 were accepted as printed.
- Reviewed latest updates on office layouts. Noted a couple of missing items to be corrected.
- Jim reported on findings for EOC grant. He spoke with Brian and Margaret who have researched some of this. The town is on the list to receive funds. They need to submit a dig ready plan with site drawings and estimates. Bill talked with someone at Rep. Hines office. The money is a Mass Works Infrastructure Grant from a Capital Expenditure Authorization. Money for 2020 is not yet available. The governor has final authority to release the funds. Jim noted two hurdles. Preparing an adequate shovel ready plan and zoning. Only one primary building is allowed on a lot. We would need recognition of the fire garage as a secondary building. Jim made a motion to meet with the Select Board as soon as possible to present the general scope of Plan 1, to inform them that the plan is contingent upon grant and zoning relief, and to see if they will act to resolve these issues. The motion was seconded by Dena. The vote was 4 in favor 1 against.
- Jim handed out a summary sheet on his estimates for the Fire Station, Salt Shed and Highway Garage projects.
- Sue informed the Select Board that we would like to schedule a meeting to file a status report. They offered us two dates, Jan 21 and Feb 11. It was decided to ask for both. On the 21st we would bring forward the request from the motion listed above. On Feb 11 we would file a more complete update.
- We began to review the SWOT analysis and the financial figures for our plans. This work will continue at a future meeting.
- The next 2 meetings will be January 16, Sawyer Hall at 6:00, and January 23, 18 Jacobs Rd at 6:00
- Meeting adjourned at 8:22.