

FAIRFIELD WOODS BUILDING COMMITTEE MEETING
Thursday, February 4, 2010-7:00 pm
Library Media Center-Fairfield Woods Middle School
1115 Fairfield Woods Road-Fairfield, CT 06825

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FINAL MINUTES

Members Present: Bill Sapone, Chair; Doreen Battimelli, Dan McKnight, Victor DeMaria, Kim Marshall, Neal Fink (arrived after the minutes were approved), Jennifer Tierney (arrived at 7:25 PM)

Members Absent: Rich Kornutik, Chad Stewart

Others Present: Sal Morabito, Jack Boyle, Greg Hatzis, Phil Ryan, Judy Ewing, Randall Luther, Ty Tregellas, John Fallon (until 7:40 PM), 3 FWMS parents, and Meg Learson Grosso (Fairfield Minuteman)

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Bill Sapone, Chair, at 7:08 PM.

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of January 21, 2010 were reviewed. A motion was made by Victor DeMaria and seconded by Dan McKnight to approve the minutes. The vote was four in favor (Battimelli, McKnight, DeMaria, Marshall), none opposed, and one abstention. Bill Sapone abstained as he had not attended the meeting.

III. Review Funding Request Status

Bill Sapone distributed copies of the amendments made by the Board of Selectmen regarding the FWBC funding request at the Board of Selectman meeting of February 3, 2010. The Committee asked questions and several issues were raised. Randall Luther, architect, and Ty Tregellas, estimator, answered some of the questions. Mr. Luther addressed concerns about state reimbursement if the auditorium is delayed until 2012, and Mr. Tregellas addressed concerns about construction costs if that happened. Mr. Luther also stated that the state does not want to pay for space not in the education spec. Mr. Sapone mentioned that the action taken did not allow for any funding for the additional PE station renovation and perhaps the much needed corridor connecting two parts of the building. A copy of the cost breakdown similar to the one displayed at the Board of Selectmen meeting including the soft costs was distributed.

IV. Discuss Site Related Issues

Attorney John Fallon said that he had received a letter from one of the neighbors, Mark Corcoran, who was concerned about the proximity of the access road to his property and the possible effect on his property value. There was a discussion concerning possible use of the library entrance to avoid another curb cut.

V. Presentation to the Board of Finance

After Mr. Fallon left, the rest of the meeting was devoted to the presentation of the funding request to the Board of Finance on February 11, 2010 at the Board of Education building. The Board of Finance members will be given a copy of the summary. Jack Boyle, Greg Hatzis and Bill Sapone will be presenting at the BOF meeting.

Jennifer Tierney raised some concerns about revisions to the feeder plan.

VI. Further Discussion

Mr. Sapone asked if there would be any attendance at the FWBC meeting scheduled for February 18, 2010, which takes place during school vacation week. Several members said they will be away then. It was decided that to cancel the February 18, 2010 meeting and hold a special meeting on February 25, 2010, instead.

Mr. Sapone said that he would be speaking at the Board of Education meeting on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 which will be held at Fairfield Woods Middle School.

VII. Public Comment-None

VIII. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Victor DeMaria and seconded by Doreen Battimelli. . It was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Marshall
Committee Secretary