

MINUTES
AD-HOC COMMUNITY CENTER COMMITTEE

Thursday, October 12, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

at the HUB

Item 1. Call to Order 7:03pm

Item 2. Attendance & Introductions

Members: Patrick O'Reilly, Amelia Dow, Alex Marshall, Dennis Meehan, Liz Stanford, Jim Weaver

Liaisons: John Kelleher, Bill Donovan, Karin Shupe, Tom Hall, Todd Souza

Item 3. Approve September 25, 2023 Minutes: 6-0 in favor

Item 4. Public Comment: None

Item 5. Status Update - Vacant seats on Committee

The Appointments Committee has recommended Erin Courtney and Gwendolyn Simons to fill the two vacant seats. Final appointment will come from the Town Council meeting on November 8, 2023.

Item 6. Town Manager Update- CEA and TIF use clarification

Significant financial benefits to a project located on a parcel of land located within a TIF District or a parcel that has the ability to be included into a TIF District, with approved modifications to that TIF District.

Item 7. UTILE homework assignments

Discussion was had about activities that would be held within the facility to help drive the program design for a facility.

Discussion was had regarding Community vs. Recreation Center models, Hybrid or Field House approaches.

Discussion was held for Community Services with the help of UTILE to host a Community event “Open House” to focus on “What activities and uses the community wants in a Community Recreation Center”.

Discussion was had regarding ensuring right sizing space to meet needs now and in the future.

Item 8. Undeveloped Town Properties - Larger than 8 Acres

Reviewed Town owned parcels (8 acres and larger), including the three primary school sites and the Gawron property. Discussion was had to develop a set of criteria to aid in location selection. The Committee also had discussion around the review and best use of “existing active” properties to not eliminate a potential site.

The Committee authorized the Town Manager and Community Services Director to investigate potential private properties for consideration once the Ad-Hoc Committee sets its criteria for site selection.

Item 9. Site Visits Selection

Create a poll to plan a future Community Center(s) Ad-Hoc Committee tour. Focus the date choices on Saturdays over the next two months.

Item 10. Set next agenda items - UTILE will set next agenda

Item 10. Adjourn 8:47pm