Dover Community Center Building Committee
Meeting of August 12, 2008
Minutes

Building Committee Members Attending: David Billings, Alison Piper, Ford Spalding & Kathy Weld

Other Attendees: Selectman Joe Melican, Scott Seidman (Warrant Committee) & Rick Henken

Meeting was called to order at 7:00PM in the Town Hall Selectmen’s meeting room.

Dave Billings reviewed the “draft” outline for a Town of Dover “Request for Proposal” along with the Town of Braintree Request for Proposal” for their land on Pond Street. The main points the Committee needs to decide is: What uses will be allowed on the property and in the buildings. What criteria will be used to judge each proposal? What type of ownership / lease is acceptable?

Rick Henken pointed out that a selected proposal is represented by a developer who will become the town’s partner in developing the site. It is helpful if the Town decides in advance what changes in the towns By Laws will be required and what will be acceptable to the Town Meeting. The Town is going to have to play the lead role in that process.

It was suggested that a Market Survey might be useful at the beginning of the process and prior to issuing a Request for Proposal. This may determine the highest and best use for the property. There are consultants who do this. Dave Billings will request that a consultant who he knows come to our September 9 meeting to discuss this option.

Keeping the public informed of our meetings and progress was discussed. This could be done through the Town of Dover website, monthly newsletter, newspaper releases, and public television.

Future Meeting Dates (All meetings in Selectmen’s meeting room, Dover Town Hall at 7PM):

August 27 - Cancelled
September 9
September 23
October 8       We need to move
October 22
November 12
November 26     We need to move
December 10
December 24     We need to move

Meet the 2nd & 4th Wednesday

The meeting adjourned at 8:10PM

Respectfully Submitted:
Ford Spalding, Chair