DOVER COMMUNITY CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE
MEETING OF May 4, 2007

Present:  **DCC Building Committee**: Dick Malcom, Carol Gregory, Bob Connors, Charlie Helwig.  **Absent**: Jack Donoghue , Peter Davies  
**Selectmen**: Carol Lisbon, Kathy Weld, David Heinlein  
**DCC Fundraising Committee**: Dana White, Linda Holiner  
**DCCBC Architect**: Don Mills

The meeting convened at 8:10 a.m. in the Selectmen’s Meeting Room in the Town House.

Minutes of March 15, 2007 and April 11, 2007 were approved.

Kathy Weld opened the meeting by stating the purpose was to discuss and prepare for the May 7th Town Meeting relating to Articles 11 (the Stabilization Article) and Article 12.

Members of the BOS stated that the Moderator has set a time limit of 10 minutes to present each Article. David Heinlein told the committee that he will present both articles. The committee discussed how best BOS and members of the committee may respond to questions in the form of a rebuttal. Also, BOS encouraged committee members to offer their statements of support time permitting.

Since the Warrant Committee recommended that Article 12 be dismissed, BOS and committee members discussed appropriate rebuttals based on the Warrant Committee objection. Discussion ensued concerning Warrant Committee desire to “broaden the scope of Article 12”, “reinvert the wheel”, however, the Warrant Committee is reluctant to fund the professional services fees required to continue the Caryl design process.

Bob Connors agreed that he and possibly Jack Walsh would make a public statement in Town Meeting that COA supports the Community Center. He also reiterated that it was his understanding that under Mass General Law, each municipality must provide programs for seniors. Thus, program space must be provided. Also, Bob Connors of COA mentioned that if the building were to be decommissioned (boarded up), COA loses over $6,000 of repairs for which they spent their personal funds.

The committee also discussed at length Article 11 (the Stabilization Article). David Heinlein reinforced the point that stabilizing the building is just that – a temporary fix that gets the town nowhere. Dana made the point that with Article 11 and 12 approved we can move forward. The committee feels that if we don’t act now the town will have to revisit the Caryl building each year at increasingly greater cost.
The committee reviewed and commented on the BOS Article 11 and 12 Power Point prepared for Town Meeting.

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Carol Gregory and Dick Malcom agreed to draft a “DCCBC Statement” to be given at Town Meeting regarding why support of each of these articles is critical and the smart thing for the Town to do.

No date of time was set for our next meeting – to be announced.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Charlie Helwig