



**Master Plan Implementation Committee
Tuesday, October 11, 2011 at 6:30p.m
Room 116, Town Hall**

Minutes

Attending Members: Ed Forsberg (Chairman), Al Goetz, Dick Power, Dick Nottebart, Roger Turner, Bruce Norwell and John Desmond.

Staff Present: Stephanie Mercandetti, Maura Therrien

Guests: Sue Ferioli, Denise Maleiko

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:40pm by Mr. Forsberg.
2. Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made by Mr. Forsberg and seconded by Mr. Norwell to accept the minutes of the September 13, 2011 meeting as written. VOTED 6-0-0

Six (6) In Favor – Mr. Forsberg, Mr. Goetz, Mr. Power, Mr. Nottebart, Mr. Turner and Mr. Norwell

A motion was made by Mr. Forsberg and seconded by Mr. Nottebart to accept the minutes of the September 20, 2011 meeting as written. VOTED 4-0-2

Four (4) In Favor – Mr. Forsberg, Mr. Power, Mr. Nottebart and Mr. Norwell

Two (2) Abstentions – Mr. Goetz and Mr. Turner

(Mr. Desmond arrived after these votes were taken)

3. Ongoing/Old Business, and Implementation Activities:
 - a. Follow-up from BOS appointment on 9/20 (EF/DP)

Mr. Forsberg and Mr. Power gave a recap on their presentation to the Board of Selectmen. The response has been positive. Mr. Forsberg said that he has received good feedback. Both reiterated the need to look at town owned property first for space for municipal facilities. Mr. Power answered several questions and concerns regarding the need for a study, engineering concerns, deed restrictions and analysis of school capacity. The Commonwealth requires an independent study and analysis if the Town were to seek funding from the Massachusetts School Building Assistance Program. Mr. Power also commented that there was a good article in the Walpole Times. A resident had written a Letter to the Editor that was also printed in the newspaper which included three questions to the MPIC. On behalf of the MPIC, Mr. Power submitted a response to the questions to

the Times for printing. In addition, for the Fall Town Meeting, Mr. Forsberg and Mr. Power will present a short Committee Report under Article 1. Mr. Power will put together a few PowerPoint slides for the presentation. And as Article 13 requests the funding for a municipal facilities study, for which the MPIC's summary report recommends, Mr. Forsberg will also speak in support on that article.

Ms. Mercandetti will have the report posted on the Town's website prior to Town Meeting.

b. Spring Brook Trail/Park Project (DN):

Mr. Nottebart reported that Mr. Sands is still gathering the information for the Notice of Intent to be filed with the Conservation Commission later this month. He also reported that there needs to be some pruning and perhaps we can mobilize a group of volunteers. We will need to coordinate with Landis Hershey, Conservation Agent, to see what we can and cannot do. Mr. Forsberg said that he reviewed bridge options by Excel Bridges and questioned who will write the specifications for the bridge. Mr. Nottebart responded that Mr. Sands and NUASCE will draw up the specifications, and that he will be speaking with Mr. Sands tomorrow. Next spring is the targeted timeframe to place the bridge footings. Mr. Power added that Northeastern's School of Urban Landscape Architecture is just starting with their first freshman class so they are too new to inquire for assistance. He offered to stop by and meet Mr. Sands' advisor to check in since he will be in the Northeastern University area.

Ms. Maleiko and Ms. Ferioli, both residents of the nearby condominium complex, mentioned that they would like to see some partial screening or buffer between their property and the public space. Members responded there will be some screening to create the buffer between the park area and the condominium complex.

4. Correspondence: None.

5. Any Other Business:

a. Appointment of MPIC representative to Library Building Reuse Committee (EF)

The Board of Selectmen has convened a committee to come up with a list of potential reuses for the existing Library building once vacated. The committee is to include a member from the MPIC. Mr. Norwell reported that there has been one meeting to date.

A motion was made by Mr. Power and seconded by Mr. Forsberg to have Mr. Nottebart be the MPIC representative on the Library Building Reuse Committee.
VOTED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Next Meeting: Second Tuesday of the month – November 8, 2011

7. Adjournment: A motion was made by Mr. Nottebart and seconded by Mr. Turner to adjourn the meeting at 8:00pm. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY