

Jon Byn 3/26/24

Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, February 7, 2024

John Bauer Senior Center, 17 West Street, Paxton, MA

Attendance:

MEMBERS:	PRESENT (X)	ABSENT (X)
Travis Thibault (Chair)	X	
David Bloom (Vice Chair)	X	
Jason Burgess (Clerk)	X	
Kateri Clute	X	
Michael Pingitore	X	
Nolan Flynn	X	
Vacancy (Marketing/Advertising Resident)		X
Heather Munroe (Non-voting, Town Admin)		X
Charlie Blanchard (Non-voting, Acting Town	X	
Admin)		

Others Present: Nick Powlovich (cable company)

TT opened meeting at 7:00pm

- 1. Review and approve meeting minutes.
 - 1. MP motion to accept as written, DB second, vote 6 0 in favor to accept.
- 2. Discuss costs to average single home.
 - 1. CB corrected the initial estimate from previous meeting; based on a \$25 million project, with a 20-year loan at 4.5% would be \$1,129.19 per year per home, with a 40-year loan at 4% would be \$739.02 per year per home.
- 3. Earmarked funds from the state
 - 1. \$200,000 budget
- 4. Old Business
 - 1. Discussion on repairing/expanding existing 70-year-old building, not viable to expand existing buildings due to DCR restrictions.
 - 2. The idea was brought up of looking at a phased approach to a new facility. Possibly installing a septic system that could accommodate a new facility but be used now, with temporary office and restroom trailers.
 - 3. Discussion of repairs needed to existing building, currently has active roof leaks, previous efforts to replace led to engineering issues that put the project on hold.
 - 4. The current facility consists of a 100'x40' main building, two storage trailers, a 40'x60' cold storage building for small equipment storage, and salt barn.
 - Discussion of buying an adjacent residence for admin space, nothing for sale currently.
 - 6. Awaiting more information from Weston and Sampson on cost breakdowns and specifics.
 - NP provided the committee with 36 minutes of raw footage of current facility from five years ago. Discussed updating the video with new superintendent TT

narration, pointing out the safety and health issues with the current situation, to then publish for residents to view to become aware of the current conditions and need for action.

- 5. New Business
 - 1. Awaiting information from Weston and Sampson.
- 6. Public Comment
 - 1. None
- 7. Next Meeting Date(s)
 - 1. Monday March 4, 2024, 7pm at John Bauer Senior Center, 17 West St. Paxton, MA.
- 8. Adjourn
 - 1. KC motion to adjourn, DB second, vote 6 0 to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 8:33pm