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Meeting Minutes - Monday, August 7, 2023
Tewksbury Town Hall
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Mr. Todd R. Johnson, Esq., Chair, called the Select Board Working Session meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. Also participating in the meeting were Mr. James F. Mackey, III, Vice-Chair; Mr. Patrick Holland, Clerk, Ms. Jane E. Wellman, Board Member; and Mr. Mark Kratman, Board Member.

Also Present: Mr. Richard Montuori, Town Manager, and Steve Sadwick, Assistant Town Manager

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the following:

- Trahan Elementary School and North Street Elementary School Reuse
- October 2023 STM Warrant Articles
- Open Discussion of Board Member Topics/Issues (no votes to be taken)

SCHEDULED ITEMS

1. Trahan Elementary School and North Street Elementary School Reuse

Mr. Montuori outlined the cost of removal and suggested to the Board of creating 2 separate RFPs to see if there was any interest from non-profits for reuse for housing. He also stated that he will reach out to The Boston Hockey Academy again to see if we can assist with their needs.

Mr. Holland suggested reaching out to Soldier On.

Mr. Johnson stated housing is a priority in the Community and Housing Trust has \$6M and the Board can determine what it can be used for in regard to affordable housing.

Ms. Wellman said the Trahan site could possibly have open space and some type of small family affordable housing.

Mr. Mackey concurred stating there should be plenty of room for both.

Mr. Kratman wanted to put time frames on non-profits to respond to RFP's

2. October 2023 STM Warrant Articles

Mr. Montuori intends to propose articles for continued road work and sidewalks, but nothing else of consequence.

Mr. Kratman asked if this would include Whipple Rd. finishing.

Articles for CPA funding to include Pickleball Court and remediation work at Fleming School

Discussion took place regarding a possible zoning change to Marijuana districts. He will draft an article and present it to both the Select Board and Planning Board for review and input.

Mr. Kratman suggested we have a combined meeting between Select Board, Planning Board and School Committee to discuss warrant articles.

3. Open Discussion of Board Member Topics/Issues (no votes to be taken)

Ms. Wellman asked for an update in regard to Rec Center programs and can we use teens as program managers at the rec center.

Mr. Montuori stated that programs are outsourced to Alphabet.

Mr. Mackey discussed trees along Rte. 38 at the Miceli bridge that need attention.

Mr. Kratman discussed TIP Funding for Rte. 38 and also wanted to reach out to the delegation in regard to a line item in the state budget for funding TPD/TFD calls to state hospital.

Mr. Holland asked for an update on Burt Rd. Mr. Montuori said inspections are still underway and we should have the results soon.

A general discussion on trash and mattresses being dumped took place.

MOTION: At approximately 7:40 p.m. Board Member Wellman made a motion to adjourn. Board Member Holland seconded the motion.

MOTION CARRIED 5 - 0

Approved by the Select Board on September 12, 2023