

Town of Milton School Building Committee *Meeting Minutes*



Meeting Date:	February 6, 2023	Minutes Recorded By:	Timothy Lombard
Meeting Time:	7:00 PM		
Meeting Location:	Community Room, Library		

Members Present Sean O'Rourke Mike Zullas Elizabeth White Tim Lombard Akwa Ebong Celina Miranda

Guests Ada Rosmarin Bill Ritchie Glen Pavilcek

OTHERS: Pete Jackson

Minutes

Agenda item: Call To Order at 7:19 pm

Roll Call Vote: SO, TL, AE, CM, MZ,

Presenter: None

Agenda item: Citizen's Speak

Presenter: Sean O'Rourke

Citizen's Name: Pete Jackson

Citizen's Address: Capon Street

Commentary: Expressed disappointment regarding Fontbonne deal not coming to fruition. Appreciate this committee's efforts to further that endeavor. Attendance of last meeting comments: Park dept parcel - area of the parcel that the building committee anticipates taking stops at edge or road. New road requires tree removal and grading. Taking should include any land disturbed as a result of this facility. Secondly, the taking of park department takes all land with recreational value leaving only wetland and wetland buffers. Expressed that SBC should take the entire parcel and use excess wetland land to contribute to future conservation land bank. Reference made to need to replace park dept parcel for that use (6.5 acres).

Presenter: Sean O'Rourke

Citizen's Name: Regina Campbell Malone

Citizen's Address: 177 Truro Ln

Commentary: Thanks to the committee for hearing the public and for providing walk through, site visits, forums, and for providing information to the public

Agenda item: Review and Approve Meeting Minutes

Discussion: Review and acceptance of formatted meeting minutes from 10/24/2022, 11/7/2022, 11/21/2022, 12/12/2022, 1/23/2023

Presenter: Chair O'Rourke

Documents: review of prior meeting minutes

Conclusions: Celina moved to approve, Akwa seconded, unanimous approval

Agenda item: Old Business: Discussion/Vote Gile Rd. BSC survey plans

Presenter: Chair SO

Documents: Reviewed parcel setback iterations

Discussion: Discussed delineation of what is considered a wetland and what is not. Picked up where last meeting left off on this topic to review what may have been a consensus parcel with both road locations overlain. Inherent zoning buffer of 50' was described to be in addition to a 50' conservation land buffer that is shown on the overlay plan under review. A reduction of the parcel under consideration due to a municipal wetland definition is possible. Discussed accommodations to Home Inc.

Conclusions: EW makes a motion that the committee recommend to the town to select Parcel 2 from the BSC survey as the site for a new school building. CM seconds this motion. Mike Zullas proposes a friendly amendment to recommend parcel 2 to the select board for the warrant articles for the annual town meeting. Motion passes unanimously

Agenda item: New Business: May Town Meeting Article for Land Swap

Discussion: This would be for a pair of articles. The first is for acquisition of Gile Rd. Land by eminent domain. The second article would be for the land swap portion or the transaction. The consideration given to the ConCom for the taking by eminent domain would then be the land swap.

Discussion and description of additional parcels that can be offered to increase the amount of land swapped to the conservation commission. Near Winter Valley and Peverly Park to convert general use town municipal land into conservation land. This would bring the total of conversion of land into conservation land to 60+ acres.

Presenter: Chair O'Rourke

Documents: Landswap2023.pdf

Conclusions: Increase swap ratio to 21.63 when referring to conservation land in versus out, or a ratio of 9.365 of total Article 97 land in versus out. The hope being that the committee will be presenting its best possible case for a swap to the town citizens, municipal, state, and federal oversight

Agenda item: New Business: Town Meeting: Article for Funding

Discussion: For consideration: request funding to further design and engineering of a school building project.

Suggestion that we should assemble an amount to request

Presenter: Sean O'Rourke

Documents: None

Conclusions: Look to next meeting to discuss ballpark figures and timeline for funding request

Agenda item: New Business: Future Presentations from Chair: Select Board, ConComm, Parks Commissioners, Warrant Committee

Discussion: Chair O'Rourke will be presenting to the Select Board Feb 7, Conservation Committee Feb 14, then the Parks commissioners TBD, and finally to the warrant committee TBD to prepare for the May town meeting.

Presenter: Sean O'Rourke

Documents: None

Conclusions: N/A

Discussion:

Agenda item: New Business: Next Meeting

Discussion: Chair O'Rourke will be following up via email. Targeting 2/27

Presenter: Sean O'Rourke

Documents: None

Conclusions: N/A

Discussion

Motion: To adjourn proffered by EW, seconded by CM

Motion Vote:

Motion Passed by Unanimous Roll Vote

Conclusions: Meeting adjourned at 8:08

N/A