

## ASAC

April 21, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 1:02. Present were Co-Chair Dan Daly, Members, Alyssa Cook, Susan Philips, Bill Ritchie, Bob Mayhew, Victoria Shea, George Tougias, and John Sheldon. Town Planner Tim Czerwienski, attorney Marion McEttrick, and Hill International associate Inger Hamre-Foley were also present.

- I. Minutes from 4/14/23 were unanimously approved
- II. Discussion of cost estimate ensued.
  - a. George Tougias noted that a modular builder thought that our estimate was much too high. He spoke to a contractor, who agreed.
    - i. He noted that a much bigger, more complicated building was less expensive than our building.
  - b. Susan Phillips asked: do all subcontractors need to be DCAM certified? Tim C. and Inger (Hill) agreed to look into the question.
  - c. Need to figure out contracts
- III. Discussion of Gov Stoughton site ensued.
  - a. Dan Daly mentioned the problem of a public project being changed due to anonymous and contingent donation. He likened this to “dark money” in politics. He noted that is an issue that the public should be aware of.
  - b. George Tougias mentioned all of the issues that will need to be addressed at the Gov Stoughton site, including the welfare of the animals during construction.
  - c. Tim C. will send pertinent information to the committee about the site.
  - d. ASAC will need to determine shelter siting on the Gov Stoughton site, with parking. What is the area needed for this?
  - e. George Tougias: How do we know that the gift will be offered? Who will pay for the additional expenses? Will they pay upfront to fund the studies required for the Gov Stoughton site?
- IV. Appointment of liaison
  - a. George Tougias made a motion to appoint Susan Phillips the liaison to the Attorney General’s office, to work with the Town Administrator and Town Counsel, regarding the legal feasibility of building the animal shelter at the Gov. Stoughton site.
  - b. Victoria seconded the motion
  - c. Roll call vote unanimously approved the appointment.
- V. The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, April 26 at noon, on Zoom.
- VI. George Tougias made a motion to adjourn, Victoria Shea seconded it, and it unanimously passed.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 1:13.

Respectfully submitted by Daniel Daly