

Meeting Minutes  
October 12, 2016  
Chenery Meeting Room

**PRESENT:** Selectmen Fisher, Peterson, Marcucci; Town Administrator Sullivan; Assistant Town Administrator Trierweiler; Administrative Assistant Clarke

**Attending:** MSHMPC members Randy Karg, Teresa James; resident John Harney

The Selectmen are meeting this evening to discuss the RFP for a consultant to assist the Master Planning Committee in the process to develop a strategic reuse master plan for the property. The reason for advertising for a consultant at this time is the committee recently parted ways with consultant Vanasse Hangen Brustlin (VHB).

Mr. Karg mentioned that the committee would like to have a consultant on board right after the first of the New Year. He mentioned that Carri Hulet consultant with Consensus Building Institute has been assisting the committee with planning efforts and achieving agreements among the members. She will take the lead with public outreach and will work to tighten up on the text of the RFP as she discovered some items that should be made clearer.

Selectman Marcucci stated that his primary comments were on the fourth paragraph of the RFP, specifically the portions which described part of the consultant's role as surveying public input about what people want to see at the State Hospital. In his view, at this point, the focus of the committee and the consultant should be on developing a proposal for MSH that is in the best interest of the Town. The committee already conducted a visioning session and online surveys and so we know the views of the attendees and the respondents to the surveys about what they are interested in. Public input on the study scenarios is important, and the committee has already indicated that it will be seeking such input. The committee and the consultant will know more about the site than anyone and will be in the best position to make a recommendation, taking into account the public input along the way. From his perspective, Selectman Marcucci is looking for the committee to use its judgment, based on all of what they know about the site, the market and the Town's objectives, to recommend a plan in the Town's overall best interest that can achieve the support of Town Meeting.

Selectman Peterson stated that public input is crucial to developing a reuse plan for the site. He has had discussion with Dick Scullary regarding conducting a scientific survey to determine what residents actually want to a high degree of certainty, which he feels is very important in this planning process.

Mr. Harney was recognized and he stated that Mr. Scullary has attended meetings and the discussion regarding a contingency plan took place. Mr. Harney went on to say that the Town has paid over \$100,000 with VHB and how much more money will be spent into the hiring of another consultant.

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Selectman Fisher said that in his view we want to move forward with the RFP we have before us.

VOTED unanimously to issue the Request For Proposal as presented and amended

#### ARBOR DAY 2016

VOTED unanimously to recognize Saturday October 29, 2016 as Arbor Day in Medfield and sign the proclamation to support efforts to protect Medfield's trees and woodlands

#### POSTING SIGNS

VOTED unanimously to grant permission to the Dale Street Neighborhood Group to post signs in designated locations in Town announcing the October 18, 2016 meeting to be held at the high school auditorium regarding Medfield Meadows

#### CHAPTER 90

VOTED unanimously to sign Chapter 90 Reimbursement Request for Green Street project in the amount of \$47,933.54 and as recommended by Maurice Goulet, Director of Public Works

#### TRUSTEES OF RESERVATIONS

Kira LaFosse-Baker, Engagement Site Manager for the Trustees has requested a one-day wine and malt beverage permit for their October 22 event. The beverages along with food will be sold and a TIPS certified staff member will be at the sales table at all times to monitor the sales.

VOTED unanimously to grant the Trustees of Reservations a one-day wine and malt beverage permit for their Friday October 21, 2016 event to be held at Rocky Woods Reservation, Hartford Street

#### AMBULANCE SERVICE

Chief Kingsbury is present to let the Selectmen know that he has been notified by the Brewster Ambulance Service they will not provide ALS paramedic services. The Town's former carrier Events EMS went out of business and Chief Kingsbury arranged with the Brewster group to serve Medfield. The agreement was only signed with Brewster on September 20.

The possibility of the Town firefighters becoming paramedics is very costly; however the Chief indicated that his staff does not have an interest to go through the lengthy process. Chief Kingsbury will seek other options to hopefully find a solution.

*Meeting adjourned at 7:20 PM Respectfully submitted, Evelyn Clarke*