



Town of Wilmington

Town Hall / School Administration Building Committee
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Meeting Minutes TOWN HALL
January 5, 2022

Meeting was held virtually at 6:00PM. Members present Kevin Caira, Paul Melaragni, Diane Allan, Paul Ruggiero, George Hooper, John Doherty, Jesse Fennelly, Dan Pallotta, Phil O'Brien (Designer) and Jeffrey M. Hull, Town Manager.

Meeting called to order, disclosure about virtual meetings is read. Attendance is taken.

Motion to table the approval of minutes from December 20, 2022 for edits made by Kevin Caira, seconded by Paul Melarangi. Passes unanimously.

Any additional questions about the adjacencies for Phil O'Brien from Johnson Roberts? No additional questions.

Johnson Roberts reviews the presentation on the test fits for the Swain Green Site, Glen Road Site, and Main Street Site. Diane Allan motions to remove the Glen Rd. Site as an option for the THSA site. Seconded by John Doherty. Jeff Hull suggests Phil (Johnson & Roberts) review the sites. Phil presents a brief overview of the sites and the test fits for the Committee. Clarification from Kevin Caira that the Swain Green Site is zoned residential. Reminder from George that all the sites will require geotechnical work. Kevin Caira notes reasons that the Senior Center Building Committee removed the Swain Green Site from consideration for the Senior Center project, so why is the THSA not concerned about the same things? Phil responds that he doesn't want to speak for the Senior Center architect, but there are things that may be more concerning for a Senior Center usage compared to a THSA usage. Additionally, THSA will be multi-level and the Senior Center has a priority to be a single-story building, as well as the recreational space for a Senior Center. Vote to the motion on the floor to eliminate. Motion passes 6-1 Selectman Caira voting no. Request by Selectman Caira on Town Manager's position on the vote. He would vote yes for a 7-1 total vote.

Motion by John Doherty, THSA be at the Swain Green Site, seconded by Diane Allan. During discussion, Diane Allan clarifies that the Motion made is to recommend to the Town Manager that the THSA building be at the Swain Green Site. Discussion by Kevin Caira if the recommendation is to the Town Manager or Board of Selectmen. The change is made so the motion is that the Swain Green Site is recommended to the Board of Selectmen for THSA Building Project. Motion passes 7-1. Selectman Caira voting no

Set the next meeting to be for January 19, 2022.

Discussion among members of the Committee. Superintendent Dr. Glenn Brand was in attendance and expressed appreciation for the Committees and process for the project. Diane expresses reasons why she feels strongly about the location of the proposed THSA building: creating a Town Center. She believes the appearance and location of this proposed building will take the steps to create a Town Center for Wilmington and hopes the Board of Selectmen will

vote for both projects to move forward as recommended by the Building Committees. Jack Holloway has joined the Zoom meeting.

Questions from the Public: None

Motion to adjourn was made by John Doherty and seconded by Paul Melaragni.

Unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Recording Secretary – Daniel Pallotta