

Town of Sudbury, Massachusetts  
Minutes of the CIAC Meeting April 26, 2016  
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Present: Susan Abrams, Susan Asbedian-Ciaffi, Jamie Gossels, Mark Howrey, Tom Travers, Jim Kelly

Also Present: Susan Berry (FinCom)

Not Present: Eric Greece, Michael Lane

Location of Meeting: Conference Room, DPW Building

Meeting Called to order at 7:00 PM by Chairman Travers

1. Minutes of the March 24 meeting were unanimously approved as presented.
2. Tom updated the committee on the Finance Committee's recommendations. The FinCom did not support the following items that the CIAC recommended:
  - SPS maintenance garage
  - DPW cold storage facilityDiscussion centered around our response at Town Meeting. In an effort to be consistent with SPS, if they decide not to go forward with the garage Jim will IP the article. We will present our reasoning for supporting the DPW facility at Town Meeting.
3. There was a review of April 11 meeting with FinCom and Selectmen.
4. New Community Center  
Tom reviewed the April 14 evening presentation. The FinCom has recommended \$100,000 for a program and financial analysis, not the 1.2 million requested in the warrant article.  
It was agreed that there is a clear need for program expansion as well as the need to do something about the deficiencies in the current building.  
Our discussion included concerns around the size, amenities and the potential cost to subsidize the facility if projected revenue isn't realized. There are still a number of unanswered questions about the project, including financial and programmatic articulation, as well as the needs of SPS, and this was of concern to several members. Several members wanted to see a more fully fleshed out recommendation from the committee to vote up or down rather than a lot of possibilities without sufficient specifics.

A motion was made and seconded to support Article 33 (request for 1.2 million in design fees.)

Yes-2      No-2      Abstain -1

5. Featherland Tennis Courts  
There was a brief discussion that reiterated our previous meeting's discussion.

A motion was made and seconded to maintain our previous position on this article as included in the March 7 CIAC memo to the Finance Committee and the Board of Selectmen:

“The CIAC recommends that this neighborhood group of residents work with Park & Recreation and determine the highest and best use for this recreational area. Then Park & Recreation, with neighborhood residents’ support, should apply to the CPA for funding of that proposal as part of the CPA recreation project mandate.”

Yes-5 (unanimous)

6. Deliberation for Town Meeting

Tom will prepare our presentation.

7. Planning for next year

The terms for Jamie and Tom are up this year but both are willing to remain on the committee if reappointed. Mark has agreed to chair the committee for next year. Sue will remain as clerk. Jamie has agreed to be Vice Chair if reappointed.

There was a discussion around ways we can improve the efficiency of the committee and it’s relationship with other committees in the coming year.

8. Meeting adjourned at 9:02

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Abrams