

Newbold Building Committee Minutes
March 2, 2021 Newbold Town Hall 4:00 PM

Present: Jim Staskiewicz, Chairperson, Kim Gauthier, and Jackie Cody, Secretary Absent and Excused: Kim Harron

Meeting Called to Order: 4 PM by Chairperson Jim Staskiewicz.

1. Chairperson Staskiewicz verified the meeting had been properly noticed to the public.
2. The minutes from the January 28, 2021, meeting were accepted as submitted by Kim Gauthier. Seconded by Jim Staskiewicz. Approved.
3. Kim Gauthier continues to work with Steve Siefert of the Newbold Volunteer Fire Department for technical set up for the public meetings of March 9 and 16. Arrangements have been made for sound equipment to include several speakers and microphones for the meetings. The committee agreed upon the room seating and table configuration for meetings. The test run for the sound equipment will be on Monday, March 8th.
Sign-in logistics were discussed and a decision to have at least one table for meeting attendees to sign in with name and address. Handouts will be available on a separate table. The handouts are the 5-year detailed timeline of the project prepared by Kim Gauthier and a postcard advocating for a yes vote on April 6 prepared by Jackie Cody.
4. The committee discussed the use of the word advisory to be included on the April 6 ballot. Other referenda on the ballot are designated with either the wording: Advisory or Binding. The Newbold Town Chairperson will be contacted about the committee's discussion.
5. The summary of the project timeline was heard, and usage data was discussed. The data shows a steady rise in usage, revenue, and group size. The town hall location, playground, and green space are positive attributes in need of a town hall reflecting updating and compliance to ADA, plumbing, electrical, heating and ventilation.
6. Some of the meeting information on the meeting announcement postcard was covered by postal coding strips. Some recipients peeled the strips to read the information others did not. The postcard information was posted on the town website.
7. Kim Gauthier sent a meeting announcement press release to news outlets. It was discussed that should it be necessary for town officials to respond to results of the public meetings an advocacy press release will be considered.
8. No public was present.
9. Move to adjourn by Jackie Cody and seconded by Kim Gauthier at 5:17 PM.

Submitted by Jackie Cody
3/3/2021