

# Elementary School Building Committee

## Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 3, 2021, 7:30AM, <https://amherstma.zoom.us/j/81188488769>

Present: Diane Chamberlain, Dwayne Chamble, Anthony Delaney, Allison Estes, Benjamin Herrington, Sean Mangano, Phoebe Merriam, Rupert Roy-Clark, Jonathan Salvon, Cathy Schoen, Stephen Schreiber

Not Present: Paul Bockelman, Michael Morris

Next meeting: To be determined

### 1. Call to Order

Ms. Schoen called the meeting to order at 7:30am, conducted via remote participation pursuant to the Governor's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL ch. 30A §18. The meeting was recorded for subsequent posting on the Town website.

### 2. Review and finalize revised draft of Request for Services for Owner's Project Manager

Mr. Salvon presented the final draft of the OPM Request for Services to the Committee, highlighting changes made since the last meeting and soliciting any final changes from Committee members. The RFS will be sent to MSBA for review, with a plan to publish March 24<sup>th</sup>, responses due April 19<sup>th</sup>, and award decision submitted to MSBA by May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Roy-Clark joined the meeting during the presentation of the RFS.

### 3. Public Comment

Vincent O'Connor, 175 Summer Street, urged the Committee to keep in mind needs that might arise from projected local climate change in the next fifty years, such as air conditioning, hail-resistance glass, and tornado shelters. He also urged the Committee to maintain control of both Fort River and Wildwood sites regardless of siting of the eventual site of the elementary school project because of possible long-term demographic changes.

### 4. Items Not Anticipated by the Chair 48 Hours before the Meeting

The Committee also discussed the interview process, and whether it should be open to members of the committee beyond the designated subcommittee. Mr. Delaney urged that any interviewers from the Committee should also be participants in the proposal reading and evaluation process. Mr. Schreiber pointed out that interviews will take place in public meetings regardless.

Ms. Chamberlain and Ms. Estes left the meeting at 7:59.

### 5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:01am.

**6. Documents Presented**

RFS ARPS 21-009 – Draft 2021-03-03