

## Meeting Notes from Fairbank Community Center Task Force Committee

Date: August 4, 2015

Location: DPW Conference Room

Committee Members in Attendance	Others in Attendance
Jack Ryan (Chair of Task Force, Sudbury Council on Aging) Sarah Troiano (Vice Chair) Jim Kelly (Sudbury Facilities Director) Dick Williamson (Park & Recreation Commission) Christine Hogan (SPS School Committee) Len Simon (BOS) Rick Johnson (at large) Greg George (at large) Bryan Semple (FinCom)	Paul Griffin (Park & Rec Commission) Bob May (citizen)

### Meeting Start & Prior Minutes:

- Meeting convened at 7:30pm
- Dick Williamson moves to approve the minutes from 7.15.15 meeting; motion seconded and voted 6 in favor and 3 abstain; motion passes

### Discussion Items:

- Discussed necessity of inclusion of Park & Rec Department point of view; Paul Griffin will reach out to encourage participation by Park & Recreation Director with suggestion that a proxy be sent in the event she can not attend. All agree having the Park & Recreation department participation is essential.

### Swim/Aquatics Updates:

Christine Hogan reported on her progress toward obtaining more information on Aquatic Programs:

- John Barrett, Asst. Pool Director, has shared that he receives calls weekly with interest in our pool – this includes interest from other swim programs, as well as residents seeking greater access to the pool
- John has been asked and is working on capturing these opportunities in writing; will include identification of programs he could support if he had a larger (50M) pool
- This report will be shared with the Committee upon completion
- A meeting is set with head coach of the L-S Swimming program to provide a first opportunity to provide input on her program needs
- A meeting is set with aquatic design firm, Counsilman-Hunsaker, to gather further data on new aquatic center construction
- Talked about the priority of serving the interests of Town folks first followed by revenue for other swim teams/programs

- It was noted that in all program discussions the impact on operating costs must be considered; this is true for all programs, including aquatics

### Teen Center Update

Sarah Troiano reported on her meeting with Friends of the Teen Center President, Sue Brennan.

- Programmatic space well represented in terms of *inclusion* of all spaces needed (game room, billiard room, dance space, etc.), however, the largest concern is around the final layout *configuration*
- Biggest concern centers around ensuring the specific spaces the teen center uses are in close proximity to one another; this is very important to the Teen Center's ability to adequately and effectively staff volunteers at their events
- Significant take away is that teen center representation is necessary during the next design stages to ensure point of view on optimal layout of teen spaces is incorporated

### Defining Our Priorities:

1. **Program Validation** – Aquatics (size of pool, outdoor, diving, sprinkler park, kiddie pool, therapeutic pool, spectator space); Hockey Rink; Emergency Shelter
2. **Financial Feasibility** – capital cost of construction, expense plan, revenue plan, displacement costs, SPS relocation costs

Noted that **Location and Displacement** are also priorities, but will be temporarily deferred;

- Strong feelings against moving to Haskell; but acknowledged that we shouldn't constrain ourselves at this stage of the project. First have to address Priorities #1 and #2 above and focus on defining the best plan financially and programmatically
- Also noted that any location we choose will result in displacement of a significant user group such as Seniors and Park & Rec indoor program users or Park & Rec field users

### Comments Regarding SPS:

- Suggested that SPS needs a new home no matter what location we go with; therefore it is recommended that SPS work aggressively now to find another location. Shouldn't wait until Town Hall, or Fairbank, etc. are completed
- This removes them from the displacement decision; was suggested that the Town explore the Nixon addition option

### Other:

- Discussed the problem outlined in the bh+a study about the basketball hoop in the gymnasium; Confirmed by Jim Kelly that it has been repaired appropriately

### Follow Up Items:

- Write a Scope of Work to seek professional assistance in resolving priorities
- Paul Griffin to speak with Park & Recreation Director about meeting representation
- Next meeting August 11, 2015 7:30pm at DPW Building

**Motion to Adjourn:**

- Christine Hogan made motion to adjourn the meeting; motion seconded and passed unanimously
- Meeting adjourned at 9:25pm