

## MINUTES

**These minutes are subject to approval by the Community Center/ Senior Center Design Advisory Committee.**

The Community Center/Senior Center Design Advisory Committee held a meeting on Tuesday, January 23, 2018 at Reed Intermediate School – Room 203, 3 Trades Lane, Newtown, CT. Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Kinga Walsh, Carla Kron, Amy Mangold, Andy Clure (6:12)

**ABSENT:** Brian Leidlein, John Boccuzzi, George Guidera, Anna Weidemann, Larry Passaro, Marilyn Place

**ALSO PRESENT:** Rusty Malik and Kevin McFarland of Quisenberry, Joe Giacobbe of Caldwell & Walsh, and one member of the public

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

### **PROJECT UPDATE:**

Ms. Weidemann was unable to attend tonight's meeting but asked for a follow-up on the question of adding more ladies restrooms to the Senior Center. Mr. Malik stated that according to code which dictates 50% for men and 50% for women, two multi-stall bathrooms will be installed, each containing 3 stalls (3 toilets in ladies room and 2 toilets/1 urinal in men's room). In addition, there are 2 single bathrooms. No changes can be made at this point to the construction. However, after the project is complete the bathrooms can be reassigned as needed depending on occupancy.

Ms. Walsh discussed several topics:

- Links to ADA – want to be sensitive to the needs of the community with respect to handicapped access, table in restroom, and ease of getting into and out of the pool. At this point, everything is set according to code. Ms. Walsh inquired about upgrading the table. Mr. McFarland said the table can be upgraded to a motorized option however power will then have to be installed. Not only would it be an upgrade on the product, but changes would be necessary during construction. Mr. Malik said the budget will be the driving force in this matter. Ms. Walsh asked to look into the cost of the upgrade.
- Meeting on Finishes – a meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 p.m. to review finishes. A meeting place will be determined.
- Website – The CCAC is looking into holding a resident Q&A in March and launch the website at the same time. In the meantime, Mr. McFarland will provide photos to be added to the Facebook page. Efforts will be made to ensure that the operating system and browser will work for most users. Tabs can be added to include a FAQ tab when the site is up and running. The photo slide show is shown in reverse chronological order and each photo is dated.
- Legacy Area – Mr. Malik has gathered information and 2 options will be offered and sent out tomorrow in a powerpoint.

- Concrete – Mr. Giacobbe reported that concrete has been poured. During extreme cold weather, ground heaters have been used. Testing has been done and is getting required strength. All footings that have been put in are at a normal depth (3 feet); no problems. The pool will be the last to be poured.
- Electronics – Will the infrastructure allow for WiFi throughout the building? Mr. McFarland said there will be WiFi throughout including some patios. No routers will be placed directly in pool area; would need to be wet list ones. Mr. McFarland agreed to reach out to company providing routers to ask for options that could go into pool area to increase bandwidth within that area as well as just outside the building. However, WiFi will be accessible surrounding the pool. The AV Tech has planned on locations for projectors and screens. Paging system to make announcements will be in pool area. Conduit is being put in for wiring for future scoreboard, etc. External entrances to the building will require security swipes (fobs) as well as internal pool access doors.
- Pool Area – Ms. Walsh asked whether at this point permanent seating/benches and storage cubbies can be added. Mr. McFarland said the space was allowed for tables, chairs, and loungers. There is the space for benches; however, permanent benches w/cabinets would be a change order in construction at this point (which means potential additional construction costs). Whereas, removable tables/chairs are a part of FFE.
- Block Anchors/Pool – Mr. McFarland met with pool consultant to review cost savings measures. There will be lane-line anchors at each end as well as on longer sides to offer options to divide pool into sections. One product under consideration for use in the pool is Wibits. The decision was made by the pool consultant/architect to use Wibit weights versus hard-build anchors (as previously agreed) at the bottom of the pool for increased flexibility and installation ease.
- Kitchen/Café – The kitchen is commercial grade; there is a roll-up door to the Café and another door for banquet. Ms. Walsh was hoping the Café would be more of an interactive space. Further discussion planned during 1/31/18 fixtures meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann M. LoBosco  
Clerk