

# Vineyard Haven Public Library Building Design and Construction Committee

Meeting Minutes **DRAFT** for Thursday, June 27, 2019

Held at the Vineyard Haven Public Library

**Committee Members Present:** Paul Munafo (Chair); Andrew Flake (Vice-Chair); Hal Garneau (Secretary); Amy Ryan (Ex-Officio); Ben Robinson; Ian Aitchison; Sandy Pratt (Ex-Officio)

**Committee Members Absent:** Jim Norton; Johanna Kobran

**Guests Present:** Maryann Thompson; Doug Jack (via video conferencing)

Paul Munafo called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

The meeting started with a discussion of the new detailed projected cost estimates from Rider, Levett & Bucknall which focused more carefully on only scheme 9. It was decided a number of committee members, along with Doug Jack, would meet within the next week to go over this document carefully and report back to the committee. At first glance it was found that the cost estimate was now lower and seemed within reach of our proposed budget. It was also noted that a number of things had been taken off the plan since this estimate was made which could reduce the estimate even more. It was decided that a full basement should be part of the main design and some form of solar panels should be included in the base scheme.

We next went over the new rendering showing what the interior space might look like which included a lot of wood and glass. We discussed this in detail and made suggestions that will be incorporated into the next renderings. The architects also presented four possible garden designs for which our committee went over the pros and cons of each.

Our committee, along with the architects, then moved downstairs at 6:00 p.m. to conduct our neighborhood input meeting which was being facilitated by Maureen Sullivan. She started by outlining the guidelines for the meeting and saying that this was going to be a listening meeting by our committee. The main concerns raised by our neighbors included the lack of adequate parking and possible additional traffic created by increased attendance, the size of the room, the possibility of longer hours, and possible additional light and noise to the immediate abutters. There were also a number of positive comments about the project acknowledging the need for a better program space. The neighbors were told that there would be a follow-up meeting with them after our committee had a chance to go over their concerns and suggestions.

No date was set for our next meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Hal Garneau