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TOWN OF BROOKLINE, NEW HAMPSHIRE BPW BUILDING COMMITTEE

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Minutes BPW Building Committee Thursday, February 18, 2021

Members present via Zoom: Eddie Arnold, Cindy LaCroix, Dana Ketchen, Brian Rater, Todd Croteau, Mike Wenrich and Tad Putney.

Eddie called the meeting to order at 6:32 and said we were meeting under Executive Orders, which allow for remote meetings. Members all stated where they were located and that they were participating remotely due to COVID-19.

Minutes

Brian moved, seconded by Cindy, to accept the February 9th meeting minutes as written; Roll Call Vote Yes 4-0-2, with Eddie and Mike abstaining.

Probing for Ledge

Tad said Capital Rock conducted 40-50 probes for ledge last Friday. He said they did not find any evidence of ledge in the area of the main building, the cistern, or the holding tank. He said some ledge was found at the left front of the salt shed about two feet down, but depending on the final grade, it may not be an issue. He said that they were not able to probe near the driveway entrance, but the representative thinks ledge is not likely to be an issue in that area. While significant ledge was not found, Capital Rock noted that there are a significant number of large boulders that will need to be addressed by the site contractor and therefore they recommend continuing to carry a significant allowance for rock. **Tad** said we have an allowance for \$103,000 to deal with ledge and it has been recommended that we do not lower the figure below \$70,000. After an exchange of views on whether the GMP should be lowered to account for the results of the probing, *Dana moved*, *seconded by Brian*, *to reduce the bond amount from \$2.7 million to \$2.67 million; Roll Call Vote Yes 6-1, Todd voting no.*

Bond Hearing

Tad suggested Monday's bond hearing could be comprised of our 10-minute presentation, plus questions. He said a main objective is to give the public the opportunity to provide input. **Eddie** said he will walk through the presentation.

Public Forums

Eddie said that the videos are now running on channel 192. He said the overview presentation is being shown 12 times per week and the interview appears 10 times a week. **Dana** asked if there is an easier way for people to access the two videos, especially on their phones. **Eddie** said he thinks he can make it easier and will work on it after the meeting tonight.

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Dana said we should have regular releases of the information, so the information is going out repeatedly to residents. **Todd** said we should be proactive about scheduling public forums via Zoom to share the project information with residents. **Eddie** said we could do a forum as part of our next meeting. **Dana** said we should also reach out to civic groups to invite them to the public forums. It was agreed that the next meeting would be on Thursday, March 11th at 7pm and it would serve as a public forum for **Eddie** to run through the presentation. A list of groups to invite was developed and **Tad** will coordinate outreach about the upcoming public forums via Zoom.

Brian left the meeting at 7:06pm.

Tad suggested that Thursday, March 25th at 7pm also be set aside for a second forum and for both dates to be communicated to residents and groups at the same time. Members agreed. *Dana moved, seconded by Mike, to have Eddie meet with smaller groups for public outreach as he sees fit; Roll Call Vote Yes 6-0.*

Adjourned at 7:11pm.

Minutes submitted by Tad Putney.