

WORKSHOP MEETING
WALKERTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
THURSDAY – JANUARY 12, 2023
3:00 P.M. - Town Hall

Present: Mayor Davis, Council members Vernon Brown, Wesley Hutchins, Peggy Leight and Marilyn Martin and Town Manager Scott Snow and Town Clerk Rusty Sawyer.

Mayor Davis calls the meeting to order at 3:00 pm and opens with a prayer.

Doc: Any additions to the agenda? *NO*.

Discussion Items for the January 12, 2023 Meeting

1. COUNCIL MEETING FACILITY & BUILDING PROJECTS UPDATE

Jeff Johnson: (shows site plans)

The 3744 sq. ft. "Community Meeting Facility" will be ready to bid by the end of March.

* *Council agrees to add an emergency generator capable of powering the entire facility.*

Mark: I suggest combining the 5 parcels into one parcel. We can add to the 17 parking spaces.

Jeff: If the trees between the parking lot and Sullivantown Road are being removed the parking lot could be moved or extended toward Sullivantown for additional parking.

Mark: There will be a 3' deep erosion pond. There will be a 4' retaining wall with overflow going under the walking track.

There will be sidewalk, curb and gutter along Depot Street. The track doesn't connect to the sidewalk.

* Council agrees to remove the wood fence beside the Booe House along the property line.

* Council agrees to add additional parking to the Community Meeting lot.

SECOND CHANCE CYCLE SHOP

Jeff: To help with drainage the grade must be raised at the back of the building. The backdoor must be removed or raised.

Doc: I think we would like to keep the backdoor.

Scott: The flooring at the entrance needs to be improved.

Jeff: Most of the floor joist are in bad shape. I suggest removing all the wood flooring, add gravel, vapor barrier and concrete floor. Remove the front entrance 3 steps and enter onto the new concrete floor level.

The ceiling needs to be removed and the plumbing needs to be replaced. You could sell as a shell building.

2. SIDEWALK & PEDESTRIAN PROJECT UPDATE

Mark Reich: Leads discussion on the Sidewalk/Sewer Project

Scott: Next step is MPO projects with Jeff Turner and Connie James with DOT District 9.

Demolition of the back side of 2nd Chance Cycle shop has been completed

3. WICKENHAM PARK DISCUSSION

MOTION: TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION

BY: MARILYN MARTIN
SECOND: PEGGY LEIGHT
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

Closed Session

§ 143-318.11. CLOSED SESSIONS.

(a) Permitted Purposes. – It is the policy of this State that closed sessions shall be held only when required to permit a public body to act in the public interest as permitted in this section. A public body may hold a closed session and exclude the public only when a closed session is required:

(5) To establish, or to instruct the public body's staff or negotiating agents concerning the position to be taken by or on behalf of the public body in negotiating (i) the price and other material terms of a contract or proposed contract for the acquisition of real property by purchase, option, exchange, or lease; or (ii) the amount of compensation and other material terms of an employment contract or proposed employment contract.

MOTION: TO COME OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

BY: MARILYN MARTIN
SECOND: WESLEY HUTCHINS
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

**MOTION: TO SCHEDULE A JOINT MEETING WITH THE WALKERTOWN
LITTLE LEAGUE AND THE WALKERTOWN GIRLS
SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION TO DISCUSS
WICKENHAM PARK LEASE AGREEMENT**

BY: VERNON BROWN
SECOND: MARILYN MARTIN
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT, MARTIN)

4. “DOUGHNUT HOLE” DISCUSSION

Mayor Davis leads this discussion.

** Council agrees to have the Town Manager talk to City/County Utilities requesting they encourage annexation of contiguous property development that requires a sewer connection*

5. ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDING DISCUSSION

Scott: Quote for Booe House roof, flat roof, gutters ~\$30K

Jeff will get estimates on Second Chance improvements.

Determine what ROW to dedicate to the town along Sullivantown Road.

Change zoning to Special Use Zoning; from PB to PBS

MOTION: TO ADJOURN WORKSHOP MEETING @ 8:15

BY: PEGGY LEIGHT
SECOND: WESLEY HUTCHINS
VOTE: UNANIMOUS
(BROWN, HUTCHINS, LEIGHT)

Submitted by: Rusty Sawyer, Town Clerk