

CAMPTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES from JULY 27, 2022 MEETING 11 am – 1:30 pm, Town Hall

Present: Jason LaCombe and Ryan Cloutier from SMP Architects in Concord, NH. Corey Davenport, Campton Town Administrator. Nancy Donahue, Carolyn Hill, Mary O'Brien- CPL Building Committee.

Discussion: A walk of the site for the library included: noting somewhat flat terrain, several groupings of older trees, the quietness of the area, and the plot boundaries. We then moved into the Town Hall.

Our goal will be to “Engage the Community, and not try to sell the project to the Community.”

- The proposed library would be part of a Campton Town Municipal Complex area
- How do we look at a building (cement blocks/wood) versus its architecture (Design, something personal, “soul of the building,” feeling when you enter)?
- How will people occupy it? Will it be a “sense of place” for Campton families?
- A review of each item on the RFP-Program of Space items helped give a clearer picture of what the community working with the committee would like to see in a new library building.
- Imagining what we want it to look like as we enter the building? The entrance should be welcoming by being full of natural light and have an open feeling to make us feel curious.

DEADLINES/BUDGET: The original deadline of November 1st for drawings/budget was discussed. The cost analysis will probably be delayed until the end of November or early December. Corey indicated that because this would be a warrant article, that time frame would work for the town. The two Public Meetings will be an extra charge for The Town. Also, additional packets of schematics will be an additional cost.

MOVING FORWARD:

On August 16th at 9 am, Jason and Ryan will present to the Building Committee a ‘bubble sketch’ of a proposed floor plan based on our discussion today. On August 25th the community will be invited to a Public Town Meeting to share what they are looking for in a new library and to determine if this proposed floor plan begins to embrace their ideas.

On September 14th at 2 pm Jason and Ryan will again present to the Building Committee a revised floor plan incorporating input received at the August 25th meeting. On September 28th there will be a second Public Town Meeting to give the community a look at a modified plan and propose new ideas for the building.

The Committee members continued discussion on how best to inform the community of these meetings. Besides the Record Enterprise, the Town of Campton website/Eblast list, and posters at the Town Hall/library, information will be given at the next several town events, and in school and church bulletins.

Respectfully, Mary O'Brien- Chair of the CPL Building Committee