

Common School Discussion Minutes

Bent Northrup Memorial Library, February 16, 2024

Present: Sarah Allerton, Mary Schreindorfer, Julie Wolcott, Jeanne Hopkins, Damian Boomhower, Greta Brunswick. Sorrell Chaput and Bill Roberts (on ZOOM)

Additions/Changes to Agenda

Points of information:

Clarify ownership of playground and recreation fields to the west of Fairfield Center School

Developable acreage of the Common School lot is very roughly about 3/4ths of an acre

Gallup Plans History and Overview, Julie

Still a mystery- Julie is working on it!

Review and Discuss Future Use of Common School Cost/Benefit Analysis

The review and discussion comments of committee members are reflected in the revised Reuse/Redevelopment document.

Members present worked through a cost benefit analysis to determine a ranking of the options for reuse/development of the Common School lot. A consensus was reached to recommend restoration based on the "Gallup" schematic drawings and basic restoration strategies suggested by Jim Cameron.

Review and Discuss Funding Sources (to be provided)

A potential funding source document was prepared by Greta and distributed to those present. The document will be utilized once a decision is made about the future of the Common School.

Submission to Selectboard:

A document will be prepared for the Select Board's February 26th meeting. It will include a cover letter that addresses the committee's sentiments, the process that was used and a recommendation for select board consideration. It will also include the options and their benefits and costs that were considered. Greta, Mary and Julie agreed to attend the meeting.

Next Steps:

Committee members will review all documents that are drafted for the select board.

An additional meeting could be scheduled if needed.