

**TOWN OF CAPE ELIZABETH
MEETING MINUTES**

MEETING: Spurwink School Reuse Committee
DATE: August 10, 2016
TIME: 6:00pm
PLACE: Spurwink School

Welcome/Roll Call

6:07pm

James Garvin, Chair

Members present:

James Garvin
Jim Walsh
Heather Altenburg
John Voltz
Caitlin Jordan

Town Representatives present:

Greg Marles, Director of Facilities and Transportation

New Business:

Acceptance of the minutes from July 14, 2016

Mr. Voltz made a motion to accept the minutes as written; this was seconded by Mr. Walsh. All in favor 5 to 0 to accept.

Next Meeting dates:

September 8, 2016 4:00pm @ Spurwink School

Spurwink School use submissions:

Cape Care: 6:10pm

Mr. Russell Packett, Director of Community Services attended the meeting to discuss the submission from Cape Care by Theresa Maher. Mr. Packett discussed the process that a parent and a couple of his staff member went through to make the proposal. Mr. Packett explained that he reviewed the proposal after submission with his staff and the parent creating a "pros & cons" list for the relocation of Cape Care. After the creation of this list it was determined that they should withdraw their submission based on location, financial, and operational concerns.

The committee discussed the possible expanded use of the Spurwink School for a Community Services based senior program/s. Mr. Packett stated that he has been working with the senior groups as well as his staff to develop more senior based programming.

Mr. Packett and the committee end their discussion at 7:00pm

Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society 7:03pm

Mr. James Rowe, President of Cape Elizabeth Historical Preservation Society attended the meeting along with 10 members of the Society. Mr. Rowe made an opening statement covering where they were, where they are now, where they are going and how the Spurwink School fits into their future plans. Mr. Rowe explained that the current space at the police department although is larger and nicer than their old space in the basement of the former library, it does not allow them to expand into the future with educational programming, expanded collections, and new programming. They have currently raised \$15,000 to help pay for some of the renovations to the Spurwink School and may have additional funds available to aid with this process. The current space does not allow for displaying the collection and very limited in allowing students to attend educational programming. Mr. Rowe explained that they had 12 students attend a program which filled the space to a maximum capacity. They currently have a request from Pond Cove Elementary School to bring over a class of 20+ students, which at this time they cannot accommodate due to space limitations. Mr. Rowe showed a slide show of the collection as well as their current space layout.

Mr. Rowe and the committee ended their discussion at 7:57pm

The committee had a short discussion regarding the next meeting August 11, 2016 at 8:00am as well as establishing a future meeting schedule.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm with a motion from Mr. Voltz and was seconded by Ms. Jordan. The committee voted 5 to 0 in favor to adjourn.

Respectfully Submitted

Gregory Marles, Director of Facilities and Transportation