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Thomas Memorial Library Study Committee

Minutes of workshop: Tuesday, May 4, 2009 @ 2:00 P.M.

In Attendance:

Nancy Marshall, Chair Edward Nadeau, Secretary Virginia Cantara, Robert Chatfield, Jessica Sullivan, and Nancy O'Sullivan Anne Swift-Kayatta Norman R. Jordan Jay Scherma, Library Director Bill Wilson Kevin Whitney (via telephone)

Absent:

Pat Bredenberg Penny Olsen

Agenda:

1. Call to order: 2:00 P.M.

- 2. Recap the objective of this workshop:
 - In order to finalize the Phase II report, we need to narrow the options and select a scenario for each of the 3 alternatives.
- 3. Discussion of viable scenarios:
 - Alternative 1: Renovate existing structure
 - It has been determined that alternative 1 is not a viable solution.
 - Alternative 2: Renovate Old Pond Cove School, plus construction of addition.
 - Scenarios A & D, are on the table.
 - Since our last meeting, Kevin Whitney worked with a local building moving company to estimate the cost of moving the Old Pond Cove School Building forward on the site.
 - They estimated the cost to be between \$75,000 and \$130,000 to disconnect utilities, demolish the old foundation and move the building onto a new foundation located nearer to Scott Dver Road. **Note:** this estimate does not include the cost of the new foundation. The new foundation will be dug deeper than the current foundation in order to create usable space while maintaining the current elevation of the building
 - The rule of thumb is the cost of moving the build is 40% of the cost of building new, the same amount of space.
 - The pros and cons of A & D, plus possible variations, were discussed.
 - In a straw poll, scenario D is favored over A.

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3. Discussion of viable scenarios: (continued)

- Alternative 3: Remove all existing structures and replace with new construction:
 - Scenarios C, B1 & E are on the table.
 - Scenario C, entry on the west side of library, was rejected largely due to traffic safety issues for the school children.
 - The pros and cons of B1 & E, plus possible variations, were discussed.
 - o In a straw poll, scenario **B1** is favored over **E**.
- A formal vote will be held at the next meeting of the Study Committee.
- 4. Confirmation of next meeting: Thursday, May 21, 2009 @ 6:30pm
- 5. Adjournment: 3:55 P.M.