

Town Facilities Review Committee

April 21, 2022, 7 p.m.

Northfield Firehouse

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Vice-Chair Chris Casiello, Secretary Barbara Putnam, Dave Carroll, John Morosani , Jeffrey Zullo

Alternates present: Carol Powers

Alternates absent: Burke Gibney

Members Absent: Chairman Sam Olmstead, Bill Deacon, Marc Moura, (vacancy in Finance Board liaison seat)

Call to Order: Vice-Chair Chris Casiello called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m.

Minutes: All agreed to table the review of the minutes because only two of the members present had been at that meeting.

Public Comment: none

Annex Presentation Reports: There was a discussion about the Finance Board's reaction to the price tag of \$10,000,000 to renovate the Bantam Building. Since it was reported in the papers, there is now a need to build public support for the renovation. The cost of hiring a consultant will have to come before a Town Meeting.

A two-phase approach was discussed: The consultant would be asked to do the conceptual plans and renderings and lead the charette in phase one, and the pre Design Development plans would only follow if the funding is approved at a subsequent Town Meeting. Chris and Jeff agreed to discuss this with Sam before our next meeting.

Future Configuration of the Committee: The work of the Facilities Review Committee will be complete when we submit a proposal for the building's future use. The implementation of that proposal will require the Selectmen to act - to either revise the charge of the committee or form a new one, hopefully with many of the same members.

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be on May 5, 2022.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Putnam, Secretary