

Name of Committee: Runkle School Building Committee

Meeting Date: April 14, 2010 Time: 8:30am Meeting Location Town Hall Room 103

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Nancy Daly	x	Joseph Connelly
Helen Charlupski	x	Charles Simmons
Anthony Guigli	x	Jennifer Fischer-Mueller
Glenn Cunha	x	
Kenneth Kaplan	x	
Richard Kelliher	x	
William Lupini	x	
Sean Cronin	x	
Michael Shepard	x	
Peter Rowe	x	

Public Present: Harvey Finkel, abutter, Roger Tackeff, abutter, Gil Fishman, neighbor.

Others Present:

Topic: **Approval of Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Minutes of March 24, 2010 were approved with one abstention.

Chairman Daly made a comment about the controversy surrounding this project and how she hopes everyone will come together on it and move forward.

Helen Charlupski agreed and hopes everyone can agree to disagree with respect.

Topic: **Exterior Elevation Options**

Bob Bell presented the updates to the exterior. The front façade will have most of the existing features. The main entry will be changed, and planting in the front. The side will be a continuation of one story and have two large windows. The back will be similar to what was seen before, and reduce the pallet of materials to simple cast stone. The façade facing Dean Road remains as discussed with cast stone at the low base, and the lower level window will have a window guard system. The windows will protrude 8". There was discussion on the windows and how they relate to bay windows. One concern with bay windows is the proximately to the play area and the amount of window that would protrude.

There will be trellis work along the existing gymnasium. The gymnasium will have awning windows which will be automated and the sunlight will be blocked by the system. There was discussion on cleaning the windows, and the cafeteria noise.

The entryway was discussed. It will have warmer materials with a wood look. The walkway system will be repaired and reset, with no additional canopy or protection.

Topic: **Interior Elevations**

The library will have 4 large bay windows, 12 foot all ceilings, and flow into a complete lab area. The lab area will have lower ceilings. It will have wood wainscoting throughout the space, and all the furnishings will be moveable to allow assembly. The placement of the librarian was discussed. There was a request for visual control in the placement of the librarian.

The gymnasium will have a wood slat system, window guards, acoustic fabrics, and sunlight diffusion. Wall pads will be placed throughout. The ceiling will have steel beams.

The cafeteria will have a ceiling of 10 feet, with acoustic tile, which can be replaced.

The main stairway will be a three story section. that looks out into the courtyard. It will have wainscoting and the floor is a porcelain paver which is very durable material a railing system of wood capped guard rail.

Topic: **Transformer Update**

Greg Schroeder stated that there is a new proposed location for the transformer, which fits on the other side of the original plan. There will be added green space before the screen. It looks feasible from the utility company. Mike Shepard asked about the existing post and granite base at the loading dock. Mr. Schroeder replied that once NStar removes

the old transformer, the structure will be collapsed filled and re-graded. Helen Charlupski asked about the two sculptures there. Mr. Shepard replied that the Town will keep custody of them.

Topic: **Playground Equipment Design**

Tony Guigli stated that the Building discussed meeting with Erin Gallentine, Director of Parks and Open Spaces. The architect will retrieve proposals as necessary. There needs to be an understanding of the process. The proposal will accurately reflect what's involved. They will map out a strategy and proposal. This will happen this month.

Topic: **Schedule**

The next meeting of the Runkle Building Committee is Wednesday May 12, 2010 at 8:30 am.

Respectfully submitted,