

**Town of South Thomaston  
Library and Community Center Facility Committee  
Meeting #12  
November 3, 2022 , 6 pm, South Thomaston Town Office**

=====**Meeting Minutes**=====

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. , November 3, 2022, by S. Weisman, co-chair of this committee.

Attendees: M.Paddock, M.Turner, C.Smith, C.Lerne, S. Weisman and G. Tomasulo. Guest Attendees : P.Alley and S. Wallace.

ZOOM was in place for viewers. None were noted this evening.

Adjustments to the agenda:

S Weisman added an update on nominating and communications committees which would be about what is going on and a proposed packet.

M Paddock asked that the dates of 7/14 and 10/6 be added to agenda for clarification on the minutes to be approved.

No public comments.

Minutes:

M. Paddock moved to accept the minutes from 7/14/22. M Turner seconded.

Motion passed 5-0 ( 1 abstained - not a member of the committee in July)

C. Lerne moved to accept the minutes of 10/6/22 as amended. G Tomasulo seconded. The motion passed 5-0. (1 abstained due to not being present at the October meeting)

Old Business

• Photo Presentation

G.Tomasulo outlined the topics of his presentation prior to sharing photos committee members were asked to collect. Design and purpose prevailed as photos were shared and discussed. A healthy dialogue continued throughout this presentation. P.Alley, town librarian, and S.Wallace also shared thoughts of design, offering needed professional and personal input.

G.Tomasulo then recapped central ideas voiced during this presentation.

• The list includes:

• a welcoming atmosphere, relationship between interior and exterior of the building,

• a one or two floor building, outdoor uses , skateboard area, • playground, use of color, material types,

• possible use of book stacks as furniture and book shelving, garden(s), flexibility,

• lighting-natural as much as possible,

• factual square footage offering a sense of space,

• keeping the first steps of planning simple,

• what kind of address will the building project to the street, to the town.

tall- airy spaces, cost consideration, is it a modern look,

• Input from our guest attendees included:

• considering book storage of older less used books still requested from patrons,

- square footage needed for the children's room,
- non-gendered bathrooms, sharing shelf purposes, and
- seating types carefully considered for community room uses.

Review Items for Next Meeting:

- Homework assigned for the December meeting :

1. review the list of rooms previously generated,
2. room uses, and
3. a description of how rooms could relate to one another.

• The Nomination Committee members , S.Weisman, C.Lerne and M. Paddock met to coordinate names of those interested serving on the Board of LCCF. S.Weisman shared a concise packet prepared for potential Board members. It was noted members could access a packet for our own review as well as an offer to a potential Board member. See S.Weisman for further information.

New Business:

- Communication

S.Weisman addressed communication of our committee via online Town News.

The need arises for this now that progress is moving forward. C.Smith was asked and accepted to "resurrect" online communication. A brief meeting between S.Weisman and C.Smith to adjust the format will ensue to get this up and running efficiently.

Next Meeting

December 14, 2022, Wednesday, at 6 p.m.

Location: Gilford Butler Center, 54 Spruce Head Road, South Thomaston, Maine 04858

Adjournment:

S.Weisman motioned to adjourn the meeting and seconded by M.Paddock. Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by: Date:

Candace A. Smith November 3, 20022