

**Skip Viglirolo Ice Skating Rink Finance Committee  
Minutes of the public meeting held Wednesday,  
November 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm  
The meeting was held by Zoom**

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BELMONT, MA**

DATE: December 6, 2021  
TIME: 9:17 AM

**Members Attending: Tom Caputo, Frank French, Karen McElroy, Mark Paolillo, Ellen Schreiber, Kayla Wiggin and Patrice Garvin (Ex-Officio Member - Non Voting)**

**Absent: Meghan Moriarty, Dante Muzzioli**

**Others Attending: Mark Haley**

**Chair Paolillo called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm**

**1. Other Matters**

- Shreiber said that she and Caputo sit on the Middle School and High School Building Committee. Schreiber brought up that plans for the fields to the left of the rink will be discussed tomorrow night's Middle School and High School Building Committee meeting. The Middle School and High School Building Committee will need to consider the possible ice rink plans in order to make informed decisions about the remaining field work.
  - The School Committee voted on Scheme 2 for the location of the rink. We currently have conceptual design of what the rink could look like and placement but not the actual design.
  - The fields to the left of the rink need to be designed in a way that maximize the program but leave enough room for the new rink.
  - The field work that is part of the high school project needs to be finished with the high school project. The fields left of the rink are aiming to be used in the spring of 2023.
- Caputo said it might make sense to slow down the work on the fields. Caputo asked how quickly we could get to the next phase of the rink design. If we were able to move quickly on the rink and slower on the fields, is there a chance that the two projects would overlap enough that they would inform each other?
- Schreiber emphasized that it is important to have linkage between the two committees as the work on both projects evolves.

**2. Building Committee and Schematic Design**

- Paolillo said he talked to Pat Bruschi about appointing Mark Haley to the Permanent Building Committee.
- For next steps, Paolillo will present at the next Select Board meeting to ask to form a new design committee to include feasibility and schematic design.
  - The rink feasibility/schematic design committee would include three members of the Permanent Building Committee and four members of the Rink Financing Committee (one member from school committee, members from Belmont Youth Hockey, Tom Caputo and another member).
    - This group would work on creating a feasibility/schematic design for the rink. The new committee would serve as a link between the Rink Finance Committee and Permanent Building Committee.
    - French offered to be on this potential committee representing Belmont

- Youth Hockey.
- Caputo also offered to help on this potential committee. Caputo said forming this seemed like a good bridge until there is a permanent building committee for the rink.
- As a member of the Permanent Building Committee, Mark Haley would chair the new committee.
- Garvin will draft charge and discuss with Roy Epstein and Adam Dash to get this topic on the Select Board agenda for the December 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- The Committee then discussed how it would move forward with a feasibility/schematic design process.
  - Haley said that it is possible to do the interview process for schematic design without an RFP.
  - Haley said that the \$250k in design funds will likely take us to April. In April we will probably have to get more money appropriated to this project from Town Meeting.
  - If the debt exclusion vote passes in April, the project could go to bid in November/December and construction could possibly start in March of 2023.

### **3. Fundraising**

- Paolillo brought up the discussion of what organization should take on the fundraising efforts for the rink. He raised the question of whether or not Belmont Youth Hockey Association should be the organization to lead the fundraising efforts.
- Schreiber explained how the fundraising for the library is being done by the Belmont Library Foundation.
- The Committee will further discuss fundraising and naming rights at the next meeting.

### **4. Minutes**

*The approval of the minutes from the meeting on November, 10<sup>th</sup> will be on the meeting agenda for December 1st.*

### **5. Adjourn**

*Motion was made to adjourn meeting. Motion was approved by a 6-0 vote.*

**Approved as amended: December 1, 2021.**

**The next meeting of the committee will be held: December, 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm by Zoom**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Kayla Wiggin**