

Community Preservation Committee
March 3, 2021

Present: Rena Richard, Chair – Upton Housing Authority
Paul Carey, Vice-Chair – Planning Board
Chris Scott – Conservation Commission
Richard Gazoorian – Recreation Commission
Richard Desjardins – Selectmen’s Appointee
Joan Scribner – Selectmen’s Appointee
Mike Penko - Open Space Committee
Dave Adams – Selectmen’s Appointee
Russell Wood – Historical Commission

Guests Present:

Peter Turowski - T-2 Architects
Libby Turowski - T-2 Architects
Steve Kirby - Vertex Companies / Town of Upton OPM (Owner’s Project Manager)
Nate Burgess - Dodson & Flinker Landscape Architects
James Brochu - Community Center Committee

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m.

1. Minutes of February meeting approved unanimously.
2. Presentation by Community Center Committee regarding request to move and augment the playground at the VFW parking lot if and when the new Community Center is built. Initial remarks by James Brochu.

Mr. Brochu explained that the project is in the design development stage. The Committee is still proposing an ADA compliant poured-in-place surface, except under the swings where it will be engineered wood chips under a rubber mat. The cost estimate for the project has been reduced by approximately \$40,000, to approximately \$520,000.

Questions by the Committee regarding the type and location of fencing, equipment placement, on-site lighting, and video surveillance.

Discussion regarding the mechanics for bringing this article and related articles forward at Town Meeting. The main building, playground, and shared parking proposals will be presented together and voted on in three separate articles.

Discussion regarding the need for a public hearing. Motion made and seconded to hold a public hearing on April 7 at 7:35 pm. Approved unanimously.

Adjourned at 8:16 p.m.