

Monkton Municipal Building Committee Meeting - Minutes
October 25, 2018

Present: Stephen Pilcher, Deb Rickner, Pete Norris, Jere Urban, Melanie Cote, Heather Bessette, Peter Straube, Chelsea Smiley

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 by Steve Pilcher.
September's minutes were not available.

Future of Committee:

Peter S - Previous committee's had a design and then tried to sell the design. This committee had originally planned to engage community members for input into a design in hopes of passing the bond vote with more engaged residents. Questions if this committee will give value to the input we gain from the Open House.

Deb - It's a chicken and egg dilemma. Need input from town residents yet need something to show them.

The committee came to a unanimous decision to hire a Design Build firm instead of an architect.

This decision was based on the "pros" that:

- we share our concepts and not to exceed price and get a variety of designs from different firms
- we don't pay money up front before getting a design
- the firm comes to us with guaranteed price points and shows us what "parts" we can cut out
- we can have more than 1 design to show the community

Pete N - It's a good idea to check which firms have a good track record regarding getting the job done at what the committee expects with price and the building.

Timeline:

Thursday, November 15 at 7 pm - Committee Meeting- Agenda = Plan the Open House

Saturday, December 8 from 10 am - noon - Open House at Town Hall & Library - get input from the town which also engages them in the process.

Tuesday, December 11 at 7pm - Committee Meeting - Agenda = Specs, town input and committee input to give to Design Build Firms

January and February - Work with Design Build firms on designs; Town gives input on the designs; Continue to engage community

Respectfully submitted,
Melanie Cote