**Carver Elementary School Building Committee**

**December 7, 2015 – 7:00 PM**

**CARVER TOWN HALL – SELECTMEN’S CHAMBERS**

**Minutes of Meeting**

Members Present: Dan Ryan, Liz Sorrell, Andrew Soliwoda, Ruby Maestas, Richard Ward, Sarah Stearns, Mike Milanoski, Dave Siedentopf, Heather Sepulveda, Jon Delli Priscoli, John Cotter.

Members Absent: James O’Brien, Peter Gray.

PMA Present: Chad Crittenden.

HMFH Present:

Others Present: Scott Knief, Bob Gould, Kerry Agashe, Paula Foley.

1. **Chair Dick Ward** called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. He then led the committee members in the Pledge of Allegiance. A moment of silence was held for the victims of the recent San Bernardino incident.
2. **11-02-15 Meeting Minutes.**

Discussion of minutes from 11/2/15 meeting. Motion made by Dan Ryan. Second by John Cotter. Unanimous vote.

1. **Overview of Meeting Agenda**. Richard Ward gave an overview of the agenda for the evening.
2. **Updates**

MSBA Board Approval. Chad Crittenden noted that they met with MSBA Board of Directors on November 18, 2015. Feedback that was received was very positive. They praised the committee for all of their hard work. Project scope and budget was also approved at this meeting. With a favorable vote this Saturday, the budget will be signed and sent back to MSBA. Richard Ward added that it was a unanimous vote by the MSBA’s Board of Directors.

Jon Delli Priscoli asked what will happen if the vote goes through on Saturday. Chad gave an overview of the timeline. When 100% design is complete, packages can go out for three weeks. Awards October 2016. Notice to proceed will then be issued. Site preparation work in the fall, steel work in winter. Summer 2018 is proposed complete date. A little less than two years to build.

Dan Ryan asked about the bonding. When would that to start to kick in? Mike Milanoski responded that it will hit at about half next year; full amount the following year.

Town Meeting. Richard Ward noted results of Town Meeting: 488 to 14. Overwhelming positive vote. Every vote counts, please get out and vote. Dan asked what percentage was needed to pass. Mike added that it is a simple majority. Mr. Ward feels very positive that this will pass; but we have to get people out to vote. He feels Town Meeting went very well. John Cotter spoke about the financial management of the Town and how it has changed since the last vote. This is a very positive change. Since then, due to work of a lot of people, financial policies have been established.

Dan Ryan noted that the tax burden will end when the loan is paid off.

Richard Ward added that this school is being built to last 60 to 70 years.

Discussion about high school being solid building.

Replacement of roof and heating system at CMHS; will go through MSBA next year.

With the upcoming ballot vote, authorizes BOS to authorize debt exclusion for construction and demolition. Article 1 has already been funded by CPA. Article 2 discusses the plan in detail.

Ballot Question was read to the committee and briefly discussed.

John Cotter noted that there is no dollar amount in ballot question. Mike replied that this is what MSBA requires; no dollar amount in ballot question.

1. **Public Outreach**

Heather Sepulveda thanked residents who have stood up and helped. Just to name a few: Adam Holmes, Melinda Soliwoda, Caroline Todd.

Vote 12/12/15 8 am to 6 pm. If anyone would like to hold signs, please contact one of the above mentioned residents.

Liz added that there are scheduled sporting events on Saturday; the pick up and drop off will take place in the back of the building.

Heather added that anyone can be there (CMHS gymnasium) at 6 pm to hear the results of the vote. It will be quick due to the electronic machines.

John Cotter asked Mike Milanoski asked if there have been a large number of absentee ballots. Mike replied that 60 absentee ballots (which is larger than normal) have been submitted.

Mike Milanoski noted that there have been signs placed on Town property. Anyone can hold signs on public property. Any planted signs on town property, those are illegal and can be removed. A fee of $25 will be assessed for committees for signs.

Liz spoke with Nancy Magnussen at Town Clerk; she noted that it was very busy at Town Clerk’s office.

Mr. Ward noted voting will take place from 8 am to 6 pm at CMHS gymnasium.

Sarah Stearns spoke about Winter Wonderland and if parents/volunteers will be there. Heather noted that there will be sign holders there.

1. **Public Comment Period**

None

1. **New Business**

Chad spoke about the well process that has been moving along. The first application has been submitted; site exam is December 16th. Pumping test will then need to be completed; 12 hour test.

Dan Ryan asked when this committee needs to meet again?

Tentative meeting will be Monday, January 25, 2016.

Motion made by Liz Sorrell to adjourn meeting at 7:40. Jon Delli Priscoli seconded the motion. Unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Yenulevich

Building Committee Recording Secretary