

Waterbury Select Board Meeting  
May 11, 2012  
Minutes

Present: J. Grenier, R. Ellis, K. Miller, C. Nordle, C. Viens, Select Board; W. Shepeluk, Municipal Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15am.

The purpose of this meeting was to allow the board to identify its top five priorities for the development of a municipal building/complex to replace the flood damaged space at 51 S. Main Street. All agreed that the community will expect a service life of at least 50 years for the project that is chosen.

The general consensus coalesced around the concept of co-locating several municipal and community programs on a single site and, if possible, housing core governmental programs and the library in one building. The board is willing to work with the Village Trustees to determine whether it makes sense to locate the village's police department and administrative staff in the same building.

The board members were open to the idea of locating some community program space, such as an arts center or a business development center in that same building or, more likely, on the same "campus" in an adjacent building. Board members agreed that public funding of the non-governmental programs by local taxes was not likely and may indeed be detrimental to their success. The board's disposition toward co-locating with or near program space desired by community based (non-governmental) groups was driven by the possibilities of a mutually beneficial symbiotic relationship taking advantage of potential economies of scale, enhanced by the massing of development in an area that will be rather densely populated with state and local government employees, employees of private businesses, entrepreneurs and local residents.

Priorities:

1. Co-location of functions
2. Minimize costs
3. Room for expansion
4. Options at Stanley Hall site
5. Energy efficiency

The meeting adjourned at 9:05 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

William Shepeluk, Municipal Manager

Approved on: May 21, 2012