

03/04/19 - BUILDING SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Present: Alex Rubenstein, Joe Sabatini, Harvey Roseff, John Morytko, Skip Danielson, Cris Franco, Jim Reinhold, Mike Pellek, Eric Serelli, Scott Yappen, David Romano, Larry Rotter

Alex recapped about The Nader Group's presentation on the preliminary cost estimate last week. Alex said that there was a discussion through email regarding the Open Space at the Intermediate School that warrants a conversation. Alex does not see any negatives to the Open Space other than the safety issue. Pete explained the issues that could arise for the Police Department should the Municipal Building be at that site. There would have to be plenty of fencing put around the perimeter to keep people from going on the property off the school lot. Joe thinks that questions regarding safety would have to be a question that the school would have to answer. The committee needs to think about these potential risks. Skip expressed concern about future of repurposing the space for educational purposes. Cris Franco expressed a disappointment in The Nader Group not addressing and pricing out the Open Space, she believes it is the job of the subcommittee to understand all options. Nader group was recharged with coming back with dollar figures for the Open Space. Joe said we would also have to consider if a generator is needed to be put in the Open Space.

The Nader Group presented some options. Option 1A is the most expensive and was agreed among the committee to have this option eliminated. There are two other options that are just 50K difference. Mr. Pellek thinks that if we cut down on square footage, the overall cost will come down.

There was discussion as to the soft costs and what is included with the pricing that was received from the Nader Group.

Alex asked if there was anything of concern that anyone wanted to bring back to The Nader Group except for the Open Space. Joe is questioning the roof of the current building. Skip would like to be able to read the schematics without it being so small. The blue and red print makes it hard to read. Correct the numbering of the options. There are concerns about stormwater management. The Nader Group would need to contact Cory to see what they would need to do so that we do not increase the stormwater management requirements. Joe said that the Generator at the Municipal Building is at the end of its life. A generator would need to be considered in with the pricing on the Open Space.

It was agreed that options C-2 & C-3 are the two plans that the committee was considering. At a price of \$5.5 million, the estimated tax increase on the average household would be about \$100 dollars per year.

Next steps:

Make recommendation to the council.

Create a smaller working group to keep the experience of the committee in tact for future presentation to the residents.

Next Thursday the 14th the Nader Group will present numbers on the Open Space.

Alex opened up for public comment. Analise thinks that the recommendation from the subcommittee will come off much better to the citizens of the Township.

Alex will send an email to the Nader Group with the comments from the subcommittee.

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