

**MINUTES OF THE CHESHIRE COMMUNITY POOL (CCP) EVALUATION
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2013, AT 6:30 P.M. IN
ROOM 207, TOWN HALL, 84 SOUTH MAIN STREET, CHESHIRE CT 06410.**

Present

Co-Chairmen John Purtill and Kevin Wetmore. Committee members: Lew Cohen, David Gavin, Wendy Stevens, Matt Levine, Ron Urguhart, Sylvia Nichols, Michael Ecke, Bill Kunde, Mark Nash. Staff: Sheila Adams, George Noewatne.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Purtill called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.
A quorum was determined to be present.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The group Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

3. APPROVAL OF 6/6/13 MEETING MINUTES

MOTION by Ms. Nichols; seconded by Mr. Urguhart.

MOVED that the minutes of June 6, 2013 be approved subject to corrections, additions, deletions.

Correction: Ms. Adams corrected page #1 – motion; she did not second this motion; it was seconded by Mr. Gavin.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Mr. Purtill advised that all members of the committee appointed under the Town Council resolution are “voting members”, with the exception of staff (Adams, Masciana, Noewatne) who are not voting members.

4. PROJECT MILESTONES/TIMETABLE STATUS – J. Purtill & K. Wetmore

Mr. Wetmore reviewed the updated timetables. June 20th, agreement on CCP favorite options; June 27th, Public Information Session; July 2nd, 40 year life cycle costs, User/Comm. Input & pros/cons; July 18th, Finalize selection data, CCP recommendation and Presentation, Public Hearing & Council decision; July 28th, Council follow-up, if required; November 5th, referendum, if required.

The Town Manager’s office will be requested to have a button on the Town website for the report from Mr. Wetmore and CCP power point presentation.

The committee held a discussion on the Dyno Dome structure and looked at photos of this structure, interior and exterior.. Comments included this structure having a track system, fewer movable parts than an Open Aire structure, columns that would impede lifeguards view of swimmers in the pool, loss of deck space, leisure pool area, negative

impact on spectators viewing a meet, cost factors \$2.9 million + 15%, complex structure, need for a clear span, snow load, snow getting between the tracks, about one year construction time frame, company has never built a dome structure the size of the Cheshire Community Pool, and it would be first in the country of this size, need for committee to visit a pool with Dyno Dome structure. The committee decided to table this option.

5. MYTHIC SPORTS LLC CONSULTATION UPDATE – John McIlhargy

Mr. Wetmore read the report from Mr. McIlhargy into the record of the meeting.

6. 6/27/2013 PRESENTATION DRAFT REVIEW – Input from Subcommittees

Mr. Purtill distributed the draft of the 6/27/13 presentation for committee members review and suggestions. He expects the presentation to be about 20 minutes long, followed by public input, questions, ideas and recommendations. There was an in-depth discussion on the content of the presentation, and slides to be eliminated and kept. Following the review and discussion, Mr. Purtill will rework the power point presentation keeping the slides selected by the committee.

The general price ranges for the pool options would be: High - \$5 to \$7 million; Medium - \$3 million +/-; Low – bubble option. When talking about millions of dollars, the cost should be taken down to how much it would be, annually, to the average taxpayer. For example, \$1 million equates to \$10 per year per household.

Mr. Wetmore has been working through details with Finance Director Jaskot, including data on payoff of the bond.

The Town owns the pool and is still paying for it, and is now looking at putting a dome over the pool. The increase in taxes is already built into people's taxes. The value of the pool is \$4.1 million. There is a pool subsidy, and with the right solution this subsidy will go away with a better facility, increased memberships, energy and utility savings, and events. After the referendum is when everything is done; there will be something, by December, for the community and swim teams to look at; and the project goes through the normal process for construction.

With a change in the structure (from a bubble) Ms. Adams advised there are numerous handicap accessibility requirements and modification requirements for a sprinkler system, electric doors, etc. She will research these requirements, discuss them with Mr. McIlhargy, and report to the committee.

There is a quote on the tension membrane structure, and there are serious questions about this structure going up and down. It was stated that it will not go up and down, the sides would be moved; it can be built quicker than an Open Aire structure. Signature Structures has two of these structures in Boston MA and there is opportunity for a field trip to see their pool structure.

7. Next Steps/Issues

- **Public Information Session 6/27/13**

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

- **Council recommendation presentation 7/18/13**

The presentation is scheduled for July 18th, with a committee recommendation to the Council.

- **Verification of Tension Option**

- **Field Trip**

Mr. Purtill has spoken with a representative of Signature Structures, and a field trip to Boston MA pool can be arranged with transportation provided by the Town. The size of this pool will be verified before the field trip is planned.

(Mr. Ecke entered the meeting at 8:05 p.m.)

- **Data requirements to complete evaluations**

Data on the bubble, tension membrane, Open Aire options is needed to complete the evaluations. There are numbers in the operating budget for electric and gas which can be used. Information is needed from Mr. McIlhargy on the HVAC for the tension membrane structure. Warranties on the options must be checked, and Ms. Adams will do this task. A pool cover and installation cost is \$60,000.

Ms. Adams will get information from Mr. McIlhargy on the R value for a translucent membrane. R25 value is not translucent, will require more lighting, there are condensation concerns, etc. Specifications/breakdown/information are needed from Signature Structures.

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Ms. Stevens; seconded by Mr. Levine.

MOVED that the meeting be adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

VOTE The motion passed unanimously by those present.

Attest:

Marilyn W. Milton, Clerk