

**Bristol Parks & Recreation  
Ellingwood Information Center  
January 29, 2019**

*Commissioners present: Clyde Pendleton, Sandra Lane, Laurie Mahan*

*Also present: Lara Sargent, Chuck Hanson, Wiebke Theodore, Steven Theodore, Seth Fletcher, Jose and Nancy Douglas, Gordon Benner, George Laday, Pat Porter, Linda Shaffer, Kathy Armstrong, Chris Hall, Robin Mahan, Matt and Nancy Monroe*

*Meeting called to order at 6:01 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.*

**Open Discussion:**

The Parks Commission held another open discussion regarding the Pemaquid Beach Pavilion Replacement Project to continue to get feedback from the community. Wiebke began by telling the group the PPT they were presenting would be available on the town website. The feedback from prior meetings were used in the new presentation. She discussed that we are now in the Design Development phase where we get into materials and systems so we can then do more precise cost estimates. Steven explained that the placement of the building in the new design does not infringe on any wetlands or require a 75-foot setback. Steven then explained that the fill required for the current design would be about 3000 cubic feet which is a lot of fill but would help prevent needing flood insurance. A Letter of Map Amendment could be filed to say the building is out of the flood plain. The consulting engineers believe this is a feasible approach and the concern regarding the current culvert (wetland) would not be an issue and the wetland area would not be impacted by this design. Steven compared putting the building on fill to putting it on posts. He explained that putting it on posts would require railing around the whole building because of the grade. The architects feel that by using fill it helps connect the outside space to the inside space making more flow between the two spaces. If it were on posts, it separates the spaces more. The idea of phasing was discussed. The architects felt that pouring the concrete for all the buildings would need to happen initially so that any building could be built as more funding was received. Ideally, phasing does not help the cost – it usually makes the project more expensive in the long run. All the materials chosen will be very simple and durable. Concrete pavers could be used for the main walkway which the engineers thought was a good option. The options for the roof were discussed and the concern that a metal roof may not have the same warranty on the coast as other types of roofs. All types of roofs will need to be researched and discussed to determine the best option. Cost estimates were discussed and that during design they can only base estimates on prior experience. Wiebke stressed the importance of active participation by the community to help the investment in the project in the long run. The architects hope to tap into the resources of the community to help make this project affordable. Cost estimates for the different buildings were discussed and that a contractor on the building committee would be very helpful in getting these estimates. Pre-fabricated structures were discussed and these could be a great option for cost savings. They also can be built quickly because so much of the construction is done inside before the materials are on site. A cost estimate for raising the building higher was requested so the town could consider raising the building higher to help it last longer since the predictions for sea level rise are uncertain. A discussion took place regarding ways of funding this project if grant funding is not received. The option to take out a loan was discussed if grant funding is not secured.

**Minutes:**

Lane made a motion to approve the minutes from January 15<sup>th</sup>, Mahan seconded, and motion carried.

**Public Comments:**

Pendleton made a motion to end the meeting at 8:05, Mahan seconded, and motion carried.

**Meeting adjourned** at 8:05 p.m.