Otis Library Building Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 5th, 2025

5:40 PM, Meeting Room, Otis Library

Members present: Sue Brofman, Stephanie Skinner, Stacey, Tom Burke, Steve Barry, Katelyn Chaffee, Diane Dyer. Also in attendance via Zoom: Tom Burke, Adam Thibeault and Steve Smith from Downes Construction

Sue called the meeting to order at 5:40 pm.

The committee approved the previous meeting minutes.

The Downes group provided key updates.

 The review group will be reviewing RFPs and from there will decide how many firms to interview. Based on a tentative schedule by the end of June we'd let the selected firm know of our selection.

Working groups shared their updates.

Construction-

• Stephanie, Sue, Don, Brandi and Gary Thomas will be on the review committee to select the Architect. Downes will be providing input as well.

Fundraising-

- Stephanie and Sue are seeking local leading donors.
- The new CRM software is being set up.
- Adam suggested perhaps a Touch a Truck fundraising opportunity.
- The group discussed a proposed Duck Race for next Spring/early summer.
- The group talked about having a door-to-door group that distributes books physically to homes with an appeal for fundraising.

Grants-

The grant group continues to explore grant options.

Public Input/Public Relations-

- An email sign up will be going out soon for the community table at the farmer's market.
- Other opportunities in the works:
 - One page that shows how the library will benefit the community
 - Social media, consistent posts
 - Short form videos
 - Contacting dignitaries who can show support for us
- Public Forums will be planned.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45pm

Respectfully Submitted, Katelyn Chaffee, Secretary

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 25th at 5:30pm