

TOWN COUNCIL

Notice of Meeting Minutes: Town Council 2023 October 5 7:00 pm Eastern Time Galvin Middle School Auditorium – 525 Main Street | Via Zoom

Call to Order: Jonathan P. Chines opened the Public Hearing at 7:05 p.m.

Town Council Present: Mehreen N. Butt, Jonathan P. Chines, Chair; Anne P. Danehy; Edward F. Dombroski, Jr., Michael J. McLane, Vice Chair; Robert E. Vincent II (remotely).

Town Council Absent: Julie Smith-Galvin

Administration Present: Stephen P. Maio, Town Administrator; Sherri A. Dalton, Executive Assistant, and Town Council Clerk.

Town Engineer Renault presented various options for the restroom facility and reconstruction of the parking lot at Veterans Field. Bob McLaughlin of 376 Water Street stated he suggested 20 years ago a plan where a private vendor would build and maintain a building that included restrooms and a concession stand. He said a committee was put together to look at the idea, but nothing came of it. Quinn Sykes of 16 Western Avenue asked how the project would impact the Farmers Market. Mr. Renault stated he anticipated little of an impact. Edward Evarts of 42 Church Street asked if there were other location options but said he favored location one. He further asked if the electronic charging stations would remain at the location. Mr. Renault stated that they would stay. Julie Scott of Central Street asked what the total number of parking spots was; she liked the grey/white color of the facility and asked if it would be heated; questioned the size of the Bioretention area. Department of Public Works Director Conway answered it would be a three-season facility and would be closed during the winter. Lee Danielson of 175 North Avenue asked if there could be three restrooms instead of two. Mr. Renault stated the project would increase in size. Janice Williamson of 104 Green Street is concerned about the maintenance of the restrooms and stated the Farmers Market needs storage. Robin Greenberg of Auburn Street asked why prefab was considered instead of using the Vocational School. Mr. Renault said the Vocational students could do the finishing work on the facility.



Renault stated the use of solar would be up to the Municipal Gas and Light Department. Darrel Michaud spoke about having awnings on both sides of the facility. At 7:55 p.m. Jonathan P. Chines closed the Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Shurri A. Dalton Sherri A. Dalton,

Town Council Clerk