

## Groton Parks and Recreation Department

### Master Plan Committee

Wednesday, November 17, 2010

6:00 PM

Location – Groton Senior Center

### Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM.
2. Roll Call: The following were present: Jerry Lokken, Lisa Luck, Ray Munn, Wayne Chiapperini, Carol Fox, Kathryn Brown-Tracy, Al Nordquist. Mike Doyle arrived at 6:17 PM.
3. Approval of Minutes from 10/20/2010: A motion to approve the minutes from the October 20, 2010 was made, seconded, and approved.
4. Correspondence/Communications. Jerry Lokken noted the article in the November 15, 2010 New London Day about the Groton Schools Phase 2 project. Some of the negative responses in the online comments to the article were noted.
5. Reports
  - Phase II – School Improvement Program: See “Correspondence/Communications” above
  - Tour of Mansfield Community Center: Everyone present at the meeting was also at the tour so no report was needed
  - Public Survey Monkey to Determine Community Center Facility Needs (see below discussion)
  - MPC Survey Monkey to Determine Community Center Facility Needs (see below discussion)

A survey was sent to all Master Plan committee members prior to the meeting requesting their input on features that each committee member desired to see in a community center in Groton. Each respondent was asked to rank each attribute on a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being “absolutely not needed” to 5 being “absolutely needed”. The results of the survey are provided as Attachment 1 to these minutes. The committee discussed the results, and collectively reviewed each of the potential features to determine if each should be included in a “baseline” plan for a notional community center. The committee agreed that the following features should be included:

- Fitness room with exercise equipment (aerobic, machines, and free weights)
- Large gym that can be divided
- Swimming pool with lanes, which can also be used for leisure, including a 1 meter diving board
- Swimming pool for aqua therapy
- Day care room
- Lounge (envisioned to be similar to the one at the Mansfield Community Center)
- Dance/aerobics room
- Indoor track

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- Multi-purpose rooms that can be used for classes, games, and crafts
- Outdoor courts and fields
- Climbing wall
- Auditorium/theatre

The committee agreed that the following features should not be included:

- Banquet room
- Snack Bar
- Ice Arena
- Wood Shop

6. Old Business
  - Subcommittee meetings were not held.
7. New Business
  - Recommendations for collaborating with GPS relative to planned referendum in Spring 2011. No discussion.
8. Next Meeting – December 15<sup>th</sup> – Groton Senior Center
9. Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Minutes have been approved and accepted.

  
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Signature

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Date

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Attachment 1: Master Plan Committee Community Center Feature Survey Results:

