

Decas Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, June 29th, 2022, via Zoom Remote Meeting

I. Call to order

Diane Kenney called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

II. Roll Call

Members attending:

- a) Diane Kenney
- b) Jonathan Dallmeyer
- c) Tracie Williams
- d) Jody Santagate
- e) Missy Dziedzic

III. Approval of Minutes

No minutes

IV. Discussion with parties interested in the Decas Project

No parties present

V. Committee Member Announcements, Comments and Updates

Tracie discusses her meeting with Bethany Chandler and Dr. Shaver-Hood from school department regarding Decas building condition. Both people felt that Decas was overall in great shape as a building with no major concerns or problems. Asbestos was removed or covered during roof repair. Dehumidifiers are run in the E wing during warm days as it does get humid, but the school doesn't get too hot, even without A/C. They also mentioned that contrary to what the committee has heard, people are in Decas year-round. Special Education and summer programs are held every year in Decas and there were no complaints about excessive heat. There was a single instance of parking lot flooding a few years ago during an abnormal storm, but no ongoing concern of flooding. Some of the sidewalks and curbs do need to be repaired, the concrete is cracked and starting to fall apart.

Jon mentioned that the Wareham Redevelopment Authority has an agenda item for Decas referencing a Westport High RFI. Looking at the RFI, that town is looking for interested parties for redevelopment of the property into commercial, industrial, and potential housing uses. This suggests that the WRA is still looking into selling the property for commercial purposes.

VI. Jones Payne Update

Nadia is looking for a format to help prepare her work product to match the final report. Jon provided the current report, will work more closely with Nadia to make sure everything looks good.

VII. Adjournment

Jon motioned to adjourn meeting at 8:09 PM. Diane seconded.

Vote 4-0-0 to adjourn meeting

Facilitator Name

Minutes submitted by:  Jonathan Dallmeyer, Clerk

Date submitted to Town Clerk: 7/27/22