Trumbull Community Center Study and Building Committee  
Wednesday, March 1, 2017  
7:00 pm  
Long Hill Conference Room, Trumbull Town Hall

**Present:** Co-Chairmen Joseph Pifko and Daniel Marconi; Committee Members Richard Seaman, David Preusch, Joseph Costa, Lori Hayes-O’Brien and Jeannine Stauder

Also Present: Lynn Arnow, Chief of Staff; Kevin McFarland, Quisenberry Arcari

Absent: Dawn Cantafio

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Mr. Marconi followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Past Minutes**
Motion was made by Mr. Seaman to approve the minutes of February 16, 2017 as written. Seconded by Mr. Preusch. Approved with an abstention from Mrs. Stauder.

**Public Comment**
No public comment.

**Architect’s Presentation**
Kevin McFarland from Quisenberry Arcari presented to the Committee additional information on the threshold design for the proposed Church Hill Road site. He noted that he has been in contact with Tighe & Bond regarding traffic options for the location. It seems there are five options that will be reviewed. At this point, the building regulations call for a traffic study to be done which would be set up by the town. Mr. McFarland noted Tighe & Bond is looking at the site plan and studying the plans to see what looks best to minimize any issues.

Mr. McFarland noted he was tasked to develop a design option that did not include a pool component. The Committee reviewed this presentation. Gross square footage for this plan is 36,000 sq. ft. The lower level was greatly reduced in size but there is more wasted space. Gross square footage of original design with the pool component was 43,000 sq. ft. A pool could still be built within the design later by building a shell.
Outdoor areas were discussed as well as parking options. It was suggested that some of the handicapped spaces be oversized to allow for extra space between the cars/vans. Handicapped spaces could be located in front and back of the building.

Mr. Costa felt the next step would be a conceptual budget with the information that is now being discussed. Mr. McFarland noted that many items would be allocated within the budget, as it is only conceptual. However, nothing on the site precludes the town from building.

Mr. Preusch asked about a recommendation from the Public Works Committee on the state of the pool. What’s their goal – is it to make recommendations of what to do or a study/analysis of what we currently have in town? He feels there are four components to this decision – a center, a center with a gym, a center with a recreational pool or a center with a competition pool. At this concept level, should we consider an estimate for each component? Discussion of the pool was conducted. It was felt by some that a competition pool should be associated with an educational facility. That would leave the recreational pool to be in the center. Mr. Pifko felt the Public Works Committee would have a conclusion by March 8.

Discussion was held regarding a presentation to the Town Council. It was noted the Council needs to be able to react to a plan to make a decision. Mrs. Hayes-O’Brien questioned if a meeting with Stuart McCarthy from Parks and Rec would be beneficial. Mr. McFarland noted that Mr. Arcari did meet with Mr. McCarthy and suggestions were included as a result of that meeting. These will be done in the detailed drawings.

It was noted that public comment made at the last meeting showed a concern that the presentation was not available to the public prior to the meeting for review. It was reiterated that these presentations are live to the Committee and not available beforehand.

Mr. Block will be invited to the next Building Committee meeting to give an update. Updating the Town Council was discussed. It was agreed to make a presentation to the Town Council on April 3. The presentation should include an overview of the site, overview of the program and costs associated with Option 1 (pool) and Option 2 (no pool) of the conceptual design. The Committee agreed to cancel their next regularly scheduled meeting on March 16 and move it to March 23 to give extra time for gathering all the information. Motion was made by Mr. Seaman to eliminate the meeting on March 16 and move it to March 23. Seconded by Mrs. Stauder and approved. Mr. Pifko will speak with Mr. Massaro about the Town Council agenda for April 3.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business, motion was made by Mr. Marconi to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. Seconded by Mrs. Hayes-O’Brien and approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Crandall  
Clerk