

**POOLESVILLE PARKS BOARD
MEETING OF JUNE 3, 2009**

PRESENT: KURT BEHREND, JIM BROWN, DOUG MCKENNEY, BUTCH ZACHREL, JEFF MCINTYRE, KEVIN CARMACK AND TIM PIKE. ALSO PRESENT WAS TOWN MANAGER, WADE YOST, AND TOWN ENGINEER, JOHN STRONG.

Call to Order

Mr. McKenney: Call to order the June 3, 2009 Poolesville Parks Board Meeting. Present Kurt Behrend, Jim Brown, Doug McKenney, Butch Zachrel, Jeff McIntyre, Tim Pike and Wade Yost. I'm not sure what Tim did he's sitting there next to the principal so.

Announcements

Mr. McKenney: All right next meeting is July 8, 2009.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. McKenney: I have no citizens I am sure you are here for business so I entertain a motion to approve the minutes from the May 6 meeting.

Mr. Pike: Motion to approve the minutes of May 6.

Mr. Zachrel: Second.

Mr. McKenney: All right motion has been moved and seconded all in favor signify by saying aye.

Mr. Pike, Mr. Brown, Mr. Zachrel, Mr. McKenney, Mr. McIntyre: Aye.

Mr. Behrend: Abstain.

Mr. Yost: Mr. Chairman we have one other agenda item or we can just do it under announcements I want to discuss something that has been going on at the Commissioners meeting on Monday night and I will just bring it up to you guys, which is a road section a change in the Code.

Mr. McKenney: Say that again.

Mr. Yost: It is a proposed change in the subdivision regulations regarding road construction.

Mr. McKenney: Ok that was the, I saw something on that, so we approved the minutes of May 6 right.

Mr. Behrend: Yes please note by abstention because I wasn't there.

Mr. McKenney: Got ya. So I see this is part of announcements I am sorry.

Mr. Yost: We can or we can put it on new business first since we are there it doesn't matter.

Mr. McKenney: Might as well do it we are here.

Mr. Yost: Ok go ahead John.

Mr. Strong: John Strong, Huron Consulting Town Engineer. As you know roadways in the Town have debilitated over time and one of the reasons that we have found is that most of the roads were built without stone being placed underneath the asphalt and that does several things but we are proposing that we go to a performance specification, these are typical break up areas, there is a particular section here...

Mr. Yost: Just jumping in real quick on that right now we use the County specifications for road construction and they use compaction of the soil which is fine when it is dry but we have a lot of clay out here when it gets wet it kind of really --- kind of plastic and right now Winchester is actually building some roads and putting it on some wet clay that they are going to have to be tearing up so that is why we are pushing this through right now.

Mr. McKenney: Got ya.

Mr. Strong: These are the specifications for a tertiary road this is Montgomery County specifications which is 3 inches of surface course being placed down in two 1 ½ inch layers, a 3 inch base course and then a approved sub grade, the approved sub grade is a laboratory testing procedure not a performance testing procedure. So what we proposed is to go to a performance paving section which the material is collected and taken to a laboratory and set in a big vat of water for 14 days and then we take a penetrometer and we load it up and we measure the complexion and then we design the roadway section based upon that. Now we assume for design purposes a CBR which is California Bearing Ratio of 7, if it is less than that, less than a 7 then the developer would have to go and have their engineer design a section to meet the criteria that's in place. In this case we have 2 inches of bituminous asphalt surface course placed in 1 inch layers, 2 layers, 3 inches of base course and then 4 inches of aggregate base, that is GAB it used to be called CR6 it is now called GAB. Secondary roads surprisingly by the County standard is the same as a tertiary road so what we are proposing this is the County standard it is 3 inches of bituminous concrete which is asphalt placed in 2 1 ½ inch layers, 3 inches of base, and then approved sub grade, same criteria as what I spoke of before. Our proposed section based on the CBR of 7 is 2 inches of surface concrete placed in 2 1 inch layers, a 3 inch base course layer, and then 6 inches of GAB, this is for a secondary road secondary roads are your normal subdivision roads not tertiary which are usually courts short distance not a high volume road. The County standard for a primary road is the following, 3 inches of surface course placed in 2 1 ½ inch layers, 5 inches of base course again they may be gravel may not be gravel placed underneath depending upon the laboratory test. What we have done on our design based on the CBR of 7 is 3 inches of asphalt placed in 1-½ inch layers twice, 4 inches of base course, and 6 inches of base course aggregate, these are performance specifications.

Mr. Yost: Ok thank you. So I brought this to you guys you are the Parks and Streets Recreation Board so just for you to give advise and this is the way we are headed with this in a quick manner just to go to the Planning Commission where they can actually put it in an ordinance format and then for the Commissioners who will have a public hearing on it and codify it.

Mr. McIntyre: Did you say Winchester had already started laying...

Mr. Yost: It's a small section, they haven't actually started yet have they.

Mr. Strong: They have not placed the paving section and they still have to fine grade.

Mr. Yost: So the first section what did we say was less than a quarter mile they may get that in but if that fails they will be tearing it up, and with construction trucks going over it and as wet, that site is a very wet site in general just a high volume of clay out there so I would say they are probably going to be tearing it up anyway. And they are ok with that.

Mr. McIntyre: They are ok with switching the, spend more obviously to construct it this way I am sure.

Mr. Yost: No it is really not that much difference in the cost, --- asphalt but you get a much thicker base because you have the gravel under there. Virginia has these, I talked to Tom Kettler about it and he said what he did in Tama and Woods of Tama was he put down a gravel base most all developers do but this is definitely the best way to go.

Mr. Behrend: Couple questions out of ignorance, CBR – California...

Mr. Strong: California Bearing Ratio.

Mr. Behrend: Ok and that means what?

Mr. Strong: It's a laboratory testing procedure that sinks the soil and puts it in its submerged condition and then a penetrometer is loaded...

Mr. Behrend: And a rate of 7 means what?

Mr. Strong: That is the CBR value, it is a calculation that is done to determine what the California Bearing Ratio...

Mr. Behrend: Right I understand but that is on a scale of 100, 10, 7?

Mr. Strong: It is actually the most I have ever seen is 20 but if you have a real not plastic material such as a rock material with no --- in it its not plastic then it would be off the scale so it's a ratio of 2 numbers.

Mr. Behrend: So what we are saying is 7 is a fairly wet moveable soil.

Mr. Strong: No 7 is actually a fairly standard non plastic soil that you would normally find in the area if you had something that the value actually goes down such that you had a 4, you may see 4's and 3's in this area but a 7 is the design (inaudible) and if it falls below that then the contractor would go ahead and submit data to support his lower value of, if it is a 4 he'd have to --- the paving section.

Mr. Behrend: Ok so the lower the number the worse, the higher the number the better.

Mr. Strong: That is correct.

Mr. Behrend: Like I said not of ignorance I am just trying to put a scale to it.

Mr. Pike: The one on the right what is the number that gets?

Mr. Strong: Well assuming that this material, we don't know what is causing it, but assuming it is a sub based issue, my guess is it is probably in the neighborhood of 4 or 5 somewhere around there.

Mr. Behrend: So they have to dig the soil a little deeper to put the new base in.

Mr. Strong: That is correct. They would have to increase the depth of the paving section and remember that the gravel is part of the paving section, it adds strength to the paving section as the base does. Surface course does not add any strength to the paving section what it does is creates a riding surface or a wear surface.

Mr. Behrend: And I assume Wade that the lawyers said we can change horses in midstream on these guys, change the rules.

Mr. Yost: Exactly. Had an opinion that was emailed around today from Mr. Wright.

Mr. Behrend: And they have no come back on us to say hey wait a minute we came in under these rules.

Mr. Yost: Very similar to what the County had to do when it changed the sprinkler law as Clarksburg was being built they came in for that building permit and now they have changed it even though the site plans all were approved they had to switch over and start putting sprinkler systems in homes, there are several different case laws that he cited.

Mr. McKenney: Does Winchester know we are even considering this?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: And they haven't put up a stink yet at all.

Mr. Brown: They did say price wise it is very comparable.

Mr. McKenney: I quickly want to let the record reflect that Kevin Carmack is here. Do we need to make a recommendation or anything?

Mr. Yost: Yea that would be good.

Mr. McKenney: Ok then I need to entertain the Board for a recommendation since I can't make it.

Mr. Behrend: Exactly what kind do we need to recommend, I am trying to...

Mr. Brown: Recommend we agree with what is proposed.

Multiple Conversations Taking Place

Mr. Behrend: That is why I want to know what it is we are being asked for precisely before we open our mouths and prove ourselves fools for all times.

Mr. McIntyre: Just say that we move or somebody moves that we agree with the proposed amendment or changes to the pavement sections in the different, in the tertiary, secondary, and primary roads.

Mr. Behrend: Eloquently spoken.

Mr. Zachrel: And I will second that.

Mr. McKenney: Ok it has been moved and seconded. Moved by Jeff and seconded by Butch, all in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed. Motion carries. No abstentions. All right Wade.

Mr. Yost: Thank you.

Mr. McKenney: Covered that. Only because we had somebody join us you are here for a permit or, ok hang on one moment, anybody have any more announcements, I am sorry I kind of ran over you I am sorry.

Mr. Brown: Oh no you didn't run over me I just want to cover a couple things and I asked Wade if we could just add this so it will be an official part of the agenda, if so I can keep you up to date on what the Commissioners have been working on, we had 2 meetings since then, the most recent one was just this past Monday night I've got 5 pages of note because I think I was writing really big that night, I will keep it simple and short. Basically we had a presentation by Commander Didone about the County's movement in the direction of community awareness versus community action groups and just trying to raise the general awareness levels of communities. They talked about some of the liaisons they appointed to our area. They said next to Barnesville Poolesville is the safest community and they always say that and it is nice to hear. Larcenies and burglaries are generally up across the County and in Poolesville slightly, biggest offender open garages and larcenies in the cars so they've said the same old thing lock your doors, lock your garage, lock your car and you should be in better shape because they just move on. They have stats coming to me which I will circulate to everybody once I get them and in terms of other community awareness items they basically just said if you see kids in Poolesville out after midnight then something is going wrong, they basically don't have a reason to be out after midnight in this Town for any reason and that kid even goes up through teenagers and young adults. Second most prevalent time is for larceny in Poolesville and Upper Montgomery County somebody tell me what is the second most prevalent time, first is after midnight...

Mr. Behrend: 3:00 in the afternoon.

Mr. Brown: 3:00 to 6:00 and the autos are the biggest victims so. They said the narcotics situation is very low level right now mostly home grown, pardon the expression, and the same thing they talked a little bit about loudness but that is no big deal. Then the Commissioners moved on to a discussion on impact fees you guys probably read about this or heard about it a little bit we are in discussions right now getting feedback and trying to work through potentially revising the impact fees for the developments that are coming on board and any other future developments and developers basically because we have fixed costs now that were assumptions when the process started, so we are trying to make sure that we have actual live fixed costs as a basis for the impact fees and it is complicated but if anybody has any questions I will be glad to try to answer them but Wade will probably do better than me.

Mr. McKenney: Does it mean impact fees going to go up or down?

Mr. Brown: They are going to go down. The impact fee previously set was 17 grand roughly and with all of the a lot of the fixed costs coming in have been now solidified building of Town Hall, I&I, etc., we have got a much better idea of where these numbers are and are we at liberty to talk about where we, about where we are right now?

Mr. Yost: Oh sure it is all public information sure.

Mr. Brown: The number everything if you get into this stuff you get into logical nexus where the dependable stands on everything the numbers that we are working on and the logical nexus points us in the direction of around an \$11,000.00 fee and we are still working on getting the final numbers together for that. The developers have come back to us, we've gone back to them it is not an openly cooperative relationship because we are generating information that is proprietary and doesn't need to be, it is information they would pay for otherwise or have to go through the public information act etc., so we want to put together something that everybody feels good about but we are not going to be revealing all of our hardcore number crunching because they are proprietary and they are complicated and if they really want to do that to potentially lower our offer that doesn't make sense for us to be cooperative in that way, we don't have to be.

Mr. McKenney: So the change in the impact fees will apply to the two developments going in right?

Mr. Brown: Two developments going in...

Mr. McKenney: And any future ones obviously.

Mr. Brown: The ones upfront and I am also on that list, I have four lots on my property as well so I haven't decided whether or not I am going to be voting on that when it comes but I will be checking with the proper people to see if I am really supposed to be involved. I have stood up and said I want to be involved but I am not necessarily voting on it, we will see. I will let you know what happens with that. I said --- process is complicated and the back and forth has been interesting on it. We talked about these exact same road materials and with the premise that it would be presented tonight but we didn't want to wait until the next Commissioners Meeting to go to it after this meeting, so we presented it and worked on it Monday night and basically came to the same conclusion you guys have come to, us guys, and Wade are you going to give an update on the Town well situation, we had some discussion about the Getty well that night. The well by the Getty station and the status on it.

Mr. Yost: Right the tank in the Getty actually, there is 3 tanks in the back of the station that are underneath the ground they are in concrete vaults and they pumped most of the

gas out when the station closed so there was a couple hundred gallons left in a couple of them and the rain, it rained really hard a couple weeks ago the groundwater got into the vault and actually lifted the tank up about 18 inches, the stacks came out of the ground, so --- went off and we went through and checked them out and smelled gasoline and see a little bit of a film on the water inside the vault so I made them test well 2 and well 5 which are the closest municipal wells and then I also tested Bill Roberts private well which is right across the street for different volatile chemicals and MTBE's which actually aren't even used anymore in gasoline. Our wells came out fine, Bill Roberts had MTBE's in his well, MTBE is actually an additive added to gasoline to oxygenate it and they stopped using it in 2006 so it is going into the ground and it could be there for a long many years and it is probably a holder problem had occurred. But any event MDE was notified, the compliance division as well as the clean up division and they have been out here they pumped out the water in the vault there was a little bit of gas fuel in the tanks they have taken those out, one tank is going to be removed because it had a big dent in it or something from being lifted up and more inspectors are going to come out and look at the vault and make sure they are sealed correctly and it is much easier for groundwater to get into a vault then it is for the water in the vault to out to the ground just because there is so much pressure from the earth on the outside that is squeezing it in so they are going to do some more tests and that is all we have on it right now. Our water was fine and it didn't have any positive hits at all.

Mr. Brown: That's it. Thank you.

New Business

Mr. McKenney: Thank you, any other announcements? All right new business, race permit I take it that is, you are Robin?

Ms. Richmond: I am Robin.

Mr. McKenney: Come up here please and give us your name and address we would appreciate that.

Ms. Richmond: Robin Richmond and I am at 3731 Military Road in Washington, D.C. and I am the race coordinator or riding coordinator it is not a race.

Mr. McKenney: October 11 right?

Ms. Richmond: Correct. And it is the exact same route that we did last year.

Mr. McKenney: You will have, how are you going to mark the route?

Ms. Richmond: How are we going to market it?

Mr. McKenney: No, mark it, label the route.

Ms. Richmond: Oh mark it. Actually what worked the best last year is we actually had 2 volunteers pretty much on every corner but we probably still will have little wooden cones with arrows.

Mr. Brown: But nothing on the streets, don't mark on the streets.

Ms. Richmond: No. From day one when I started doing this 3 years ago we stopped doing that but actually last year we really, it was really helpful because we just had the volunteers on every corner and pretty much didn't have to pay attention to anything but the wave.

Mr. McKenney: All right so we don't have a map, we have this, I have never seen this presented this way, starting at Barnesville...

Ms. Richmond: Starting at Barnesville School yes.

Mr. Pike: Is Cattail going to be open?

Ms. Richmond: I thought it was just in June.

Mr. McKenney: I think you are right I think by October I would think maybe not. You said you did have a map? All right so you provided the security deposit already?

Ms. Richmond: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: And how many years have you guys been doing this?

Ms. Richmond: It will be our third. The first year was a different route because we started at Poolesville High School and then we went to the Barnesville School.

Mr. Brown: So you are staging at the Barnesville School?

Ms. Richmond: Yes.

Mr. McIntyre: Will any roads actually get closed.

Ms. Richmond: And I have been working with the Montgomery County Police, Sgt. Brown, I don't know if you know him but he has been pretty much very involved with helping me actually get the police at all the intersections so we have a cop assigned to each one of those.

Mr. McKenney: You expect 150 participants is that everybody would be there at 8:00 or do you have stages?

Ms. Richmond: Everyone will be starting at 8:00 but we have really varied people in terms of the levels so the fast people will be off, we have 2 routes actually kind of looping within each other and there is a 25 and a 50, generally traveling together is not much more than 12 to 15 people.

Mr. Brown: Curiosity question how long is the ride?

Ms. Richmond: The long route 50, it is a really pretty ride, I did it the other day.

Mr. McKenney: All right anybody have any questions that we haven't covered?

Mr. Behrend: So the route comes around here.

Mr. McKenney: There is a stop at Halmos but that is October and 10:00 in the morning.

Ms. Richmond: Yea that was kind of our intermediate stop just because in case people, we have kind of a long stretch and I wanted people if they needed a bathroom to know that that place had a bathroom so people most of them will probably just ride right past.

Mr. McKenney: We will open that up then?

Mr. Yost: It will be open.

Mr. Behrend: And some of this, the map I didn't catch it all because I see Westerly to West Willard to Butler to Bodmer to Hoskinson to the stop at Halmos, Tom Fox, Hughes.

Mr. McKenney: Anybody got any questions? So we need a motion I guess.

Mr. Zachrel: I make a motion to approve.

Mr. Behrend: Second.

Mr. Brown: Hang on for one second. So please do your best also to make sure that you push most of your members using the Town eating drinking facilities, that's one reason why we share our streets so that they, we need their commerce, so if you could make sure that they are bringing in for that, I will have a lemonade stand set up.

Ms. Richmond: I do try and even I was trying to involve some of the Poolesville High School kids just to help so we are trying to get the community involved since this has been a really nice area for us to do it.

Mr. Brown: Do you get volunteers from Poolesville?

Ms. Richmond: Yes. Not as many as we like but we have been reaching out.

Mr. Brown: How do you reach out?

Ms. Richmond: Mostly we, well we were putting advertisements in the Gazette and also flyers and a lot of the businesses will put things in the windows.

Mr. McIntyre: Have to give Jim an email, Jim's email list reaches almost everybody.

Ms. Richmond: Ok.

Mr. Brown: Just contact Town Hall.

Ms. Richmond: Ok that would be great.

Mr. Behrend: We do want to make sure that the Town residents are aware of it.

Mr. McKenney: And you said you have a variety of skill levels shall we say, I guess the one thing that it scares me when I come around some of these more rural roads not so much the ones in town but the rural roads and I expect bikes but sometimes they are 2 or 3 across and you got nowhere to go, so just remind everybody that they are great roads to ride on and they are scenic but there are some...

Ms. Richmond: I have been doing bike rides for all the time and so I am very nervous about that, I have bike monitors who each have like a 5 mile distance where they go back and forth and make sure people stay single file and don't have a problem with things like that.

Mr. McKenney: I mean the inside town roads and stuff like that where you can see and its flat and wide open that is fine I don't have a problem.

Mr. Behrend: Ride up Cattail so many times I have almost hit people when they are 4 abreast and refuse to move.

Mr. McKenney: Yea and it is a little scary because you don't want to hit them and you don't want to worry about a car coming and so forth and so on.

Ms. Richmond: And that is one of the other things also a few weeks before we did take a couple different ads that said for the drivers, like drivers beware cyclists on the road and we need your help and Barnesville has been helping us in terms of letting the neighbors all around that area know.

Mr. Behrend: Move to question Sir.

Mr. McKenney: Yep previous question has been called, take a vote, all in favor?

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions, motion carries. Thank you very much.

Ms. Richmond: Thank you.

Mr. McKenney: All right Wootton Tot Lot. There are no other permits right?

Mr. Yost: That is it.

Mr. McIntyre: Thank you for coming all the way out here by the way.

Mr. McKenney: Hopefully you will get back before it starts raining.

Mr. Behrend: Little late for that.

Mr. McKenney: I apologize to those of you who got to Wootton Park Tot Lot and we weren't there. Baseball practice ran over.

Mr. Yost: We had a good discussion.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I actually drove up there real quick and looked at it before I came here just so I could have a, it is kind of small no doubt and it does look like if we put something there when we upgrade or whatever. The trees that are there are those ours are they so we can either cut them back or I don't know if you want to remove them because they would provide shade but they looked like some stuff was kind of...

Mr. Yost: Maybe minimal.

Mr. Brown: I would want to cut them back.

Mr. McKenney: No, no I would want to leave them, I just envisioned some of the taller things depending on where you put it right up against or near the tree and that is, I wouldn't want to remove the trees because it would provide shade.

Mr. Brown: As a point of reference I spoke to the residents who were there just because they are the ones using it for the most part and they actually didn't have a hardcore preference about the location as long as it was on one end or the other but not in the middle because they do use the open green space they play games there, football, tag, everything and the actual preference which was maybe against the thought process going in was to keep it in the location it is now and extend it out further to make it a little more obviously a little more bigger and usable but it is up to this Board to kind of figure out where is the right spot for it but they were a little bit didn't really care which side or another but they tended to lean toward keeping it where it was in the shade the kids actually use the open field part to do just as much as they do according to the residents where the tot lot itself is.

Mr. McKenney: Ok well that is good to know. So do we need to look through these things and make a decision tonight?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Brown: Ok quick question, up at Halmos, we had did Preston and his group put in that structure that is there now, is that a consideration or, no ok...

Mr. Yost: Big no.

Mr. Brown: Just asking. I didn't know if it would save us money.

Mr. McKenney: Live and learn right.

Mr. Yost: Turned out to be a nightmare.

Mr. Pike: There is 2 companies, which have we dealt with before?

Mr. Yost: We have dealt with both of them before.

Mr. Pike: Any preference?

Mr. Yost: Well looking at the price tag Miracle was definitely...

Mr. McKenney: What is West Recreation versus oh ok Gametime is West Recreation got ya. What is our budget?

Mr. Yost: \$27,000.00. Gametime should be on a separate sheet attached to the front of it. They came in at \$36,994.00 and one is at \$23,000.00.

Mr. Pike: With a budget of \$27,000.00.

Mr. McKenney: Wow.

Mr. Yost: The big difference is in the equipment itself Gametime does have a --- hood on which adds quite a bit of expense to it and like you said those trees right there I don't think it is required for that parcel.

Mr. McKenney: And the hoods are nice and probably fun but...

Mr. Yost: But it is wide open.

Mr. McKenney: But even still I don't know how much shade it provides overall because they don't stick out very much it is not like they are covering a large...

Mr. Pike: They are 23 plus 31 right?

Mr. Behrend: Yea that is what I was looking at.

Mr. Pike: So it is really about 27...

Mr. Behrend: \$2700.00 so they are not that far off and it is still over our number.

Mr. McKenney: What is that TSR?

Mr. Behrend: Yea.

Mr. Yost: Yea Taylor Sports is the ones that did Brooks Park our last biggest park they did a good job. Actually they did Bodmer Park also.

Mr. McKenney: Did they?

Mr. Yost: Yep.

Mr. McKenney: Ok. Where did we use West?

Mr. Yost: Stevens Park originally was Gametime and we used them a long time ago.

Mr. Behrend: It has been awhile because Miracle has got better pricing.

Mr. Yost: Exactly that is what it has been every time.

Mr. McKenney: I want to say the first park we redid after I came on I thought we went through Gametime, maybe it wasn't them though maybe it was Gametime equipment but not them, maybe that is what it was.

Mr. Pike: That might have been the Elementary School.

Mr. Behrend: Gametime though there quote does not include installation.

Mr. McKenney: Gametime, you mean West Recreation.

Mr. Behrend: General notes pricing does not include installation, safety servicing or borders unless included by line item. Oh ok never mind.

Mr. Yost: I was going to say my RFP specifically stated...

Mr. Pike: We can't hire Preston.

Mr. McKenney: So lets see with TSR and the equipment has been comparable as far as wear and durability.

Mr. Yost: It is almost exactly the same thing.

Mr. Pike: And it is ADA acceptable?

Mr. Yost: Taylor Sports we had a problem with our slide on Bodmer Park and within 2 weeks they were out and put a new one in so that is a good thing to know at least.

Mr. McKenney: And that was TSR?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Behrend: That's what I was going to ask was the warranty working in such that we've had experience with --- folks and Taylor has done it very nicely.

Mr. Yost: And the crew that came out was very nice, neat and clean and no problem with them either.

Mr. Pike: Like how high is this thing?

Mr. Yost: The poles were 11 foot so come down a couple feet and the big swing was an 8-foot pole.

Mr. McKenney: What is the area that we, the area that is mulched right now that is there I mean assuming we take that out and put something right back where is there how much is the, what are the dimensions on that do you remember that is 58x46 which is what we have now or did we expand it.

Mr. Yost: This is definitely going to be longer. It's about 35x35 right now and it's sitting at a diagonal so I think it is 60 foot across and 90 foot long is the total field there.

Mr. McKenney: And TSR is using 58x46 so we cut that take another 20 feet out of that green space.

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. McIntyre: Do we need the swing set going in the direction its going?

Mr. Yost: Yea with the required fall distances, swings are very difficult to get into a small park.

Mr. Pike: Do we have swings?

Mr. Brown: Well the residents definitely still want the swings, the swings and the slide.

Mr. McKenney: West Recreation's plan is only 50 feet long by 34 so there is more space used by Taylor.

Mr. Brown: Well it looks like the slide into the ground ends up near closest to the swing set on Taylor's so there has to be a distance there versus virtually attached on the West...

Mr. McIntyre: Well I wonder if we turn it around it would allow us to shorten it a little bit.

Mr. Yost: Yea we could shorten it a little bit because --- can't overlap. So if you guys would be able to shrink that down.

Mr. McIntyre: Yea I mean taking into account what the residents are saying try and, that really shouldn't change the cost and all in fact that may bring it down a little because less mulch.

Mr. McKenney: Now TSR's quote includes the ramp and the bench?

Mr. Yost: Yea but the bench is on the...

Mr. Pike: It is on the next page.

Mr. McKenney: Ok and the other one includes the ramp but no bench so ok.

Mr. Brown: Wade the people who prepare these proposals are they invited to come in and or be a part of these meetings or are they excluded.

Mr. Yost: No they have in the past.

Mr. Brown: And they know we are discussing them tonight.

Mr. Yost: Oh yea.

Mr. Brown: If I was selling one of these things for 40 grand I would be here pitching it I am just wondering if they or answer questions at least, oh well.

Mr. McKenney: I would say this is probably one of the first times they haven't been here.

Mr. Zachrel: They are still waiting over at Wootton.

Mr. Behrend: Or stuck in traffic on the beltway.

Mr. McKenney: Did you have questions you want to ask of the, because I...

Mr. Brown: Well we are sitting here kind of questioning the positioning and where the ruling is and we are relying on our guys that do know this stuff.

Mr. Yost: No my definite recommendation is to go with Miracle.

Mr. Pike: And this will start July 1?

Mr. Yost: Right.

Mr. Behrend: I think there is enough play room in there you can twist that main section around and still have the same fall zone.

Mr. Yost: Exactly.

Mr. Behrend: We may take 10 feet from that open area.

Mr. Brown: Why do you have such a strong recommendation for the Miracle versus the West?

Mr. Yost: The money is probably the biggest thing. It's all the same material.

Mr. Brown: It just looks like the other one has a little more features and we had to talk about the roof or whether that was worthwhile.

Mr. McKenney: So the other one has, one has got a 6-foot square deck, the others got 3 foot and 5 foot and the chin bar and ladder and this orbit climber thing. Does the oh there it is pages 5 to 12 ok...

Mr. Brown: You say we are 35x35 roughly right now?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Brown: And we are talking about moving this trapezoidal, parallelogramish shape to, it would end up being bordered evenly on the sides on each side and it come out potentially another 23 feet if we go by this plan but we are talking about making it smaller than that to preserve some green space. I mean I would want as much as another 15 feet or so cut off this if possible to have it be or another 18 cut off of this at least, 10 to 15 feet bigger than what it is right now.

Mr. McKenney: \$10,000.00 difference isn't there?

Mr. Yost: Yes and knowing the workability with this contractor the Miracle guys a pleasure to work with, the crews and everything.

Mr. Brown: So no real difference is the substantial-ness of the materials used?

Mr. Yost: Exactly the same. All powder coated 5 inch steel and plastic.

Mr. McKenney: That is the one thing I remember when they came in to do their pitch its kind of like ok look at this look at that.

Mr. Behrend: You get different color choices, one had some more gizmos but not necessarily usable stuff.

Mr. Pike: This Miracle one would look great in that park.

Mr. Yost: Much better than what is there now.

Mr. Brown: It would be a miracle.

Mr. McKenney: It does look like there is a couple other extra things with the Gametime version, 2 slides and this giant wave climber thingy. So if we go back to TSR and say all right we need to reconfigure this, shorten it a little bit, make it fit by...

Mr. Brown: I would say no more than 15...

Mr. Yost: Or shrink the poles down at least.

Mr. McKenney: Like you said we could flip the one things you don't have the slide coming down into it, so hopefully, even this other group West Recreation has got the fall zones overlapping each other a little bit and TSR does not. So do you guys want to ask them if there is other components that kind of pick up some of the things that West yea from the Gametime.

Mr. Yost: Watch your funding on that.

Mr. McKenney: What is that.

Mr. Yost: You have \$27,000.00.

Mr. McKenney: No I am thinking either, well I am thinking about also saying you pencil guys see what you can do here. It is a tough economy, my guess is we are not clamoring for contractors they should be clamoring for business so we ought to be able to use that to our advantage to some degree.

Mr. Yost: Well that could be true but playground equipment guys sell to schools and governments who are the biggest spenders right now of anybody.

Mr. Zachrel: And they are actually pretty busy.

Mr. Behrend: However I think we go back to them and say hey can you define this a little more, I mean turn it around change the angles, are there other things we can slide in here within the same cost. This is an example of items they put forward, I mean as I recall both of them, there is a hundred different swaps at still the same cost.

Mr. Yost: Right we did that with Bodmer, we awarded the contract to one contractor and then we came in and switched stuff around.

Mr. Zachrel: So really what we are looking at, we are not looking at final here on these 2.

Mr. Yost: Well technically yea you should be.

Mr. McKenney: I mean if we were happy we could approve these tonight and get this done or we could approve these and say we want something else in the middle there other than a slide or whatever but if we say no we want them to go back and sharpen their pencil then we push this out a month right because we won't have accepted it. Which would make it difficult to start this in July which is what we targeted right?

Mr. Yost: Right.

Mr. Brown: John I would see no reason why we couldn't move forward with TSR as per the recommendation but ask them to potentially come up with alternate features or see if there is something else, I don't think there is anybody here we are not wowed by their, we are wowed by their number but we are not wowed by their features compared to the Gametime.

Mr. Behrend: Not wowed by either, its just there is enough that we can play around.

Mr. McIntyre: You are kind of wowed by it.

Mr. Brown: I like it ok.

Mr. McIntyre: If you look at their, if you just compare the cost at the end and their cost to remove existing equipment and put in a bench is almost identical to the other one, so they are identical, if they are that close is it just because they are offering so much more with respect to parts that they are another \$10,000.00 over, I mean I don't know how to judge.

Mr. Yost: It could be.

Mr. McIntyre: I mean obviously the one has a lot more features than the other but...

Mr. Yost: Yea but I don't know what their labor charges are.

Mr. McIntyre: Do we have Gametime in town, are there any parks...

Mr. Yost: Stevens Park is a Gametime one.

Mr. McIntyre: Ok.

Mr. Behrend: I could have swore we did another Gametime.

Mr. McKenney: I remember looking through their catalog of stuff and picking and choosing and...

Mr. Behrend: When we were looking at Bodmer. We were picking and choosing mainly through them but their bid came in in such a way that we didn't, there was something that we didn't like about it.

Mr. Pike: Was it Brooks Park.

Mr. McIntyre: The little Halmos one.

Mr. McKenney: Yea the tot lot at Halmos.

Mr. Yost: We had purchased that equipment straight from Miracle.

Mr. McKenney: Ok that was from Miracle then I give up.

Mr. McIntyre: Do you feel like the scope of the Gametime one is just too much for that small area.

Mr. Pike: Too much money.

Mr. McIntyre: No I think it is too much equipment for the size of that. Because when you look at the other one scale wise its definitely big.

Mr. Behrend: Well I think part of what they are doing there and part of their cost there is definitely added equipment.

Mr. McKenney: There is a way we can go back to West Recreation and ask them listen if you don't have these long tall poles and these roofs what does it do to the cost.

Mr. Yost: Sealed bid. Really not proper to do it that way we sent an RFP out in a sealed bid and you open them go back and ask them...

Mr. Behrend: We'd have to redo the whole thing, both sides have to have equal treatment.

Mr. McKenney: I think the problem is that this is a good price but I am getting the sense that everybody likes what is in here right I mean...

Mr. Carmack: Do we have a ballpark on number of kids that would be using this on a regular basis, is it 2 or 3 little kids or do you think, I mean that to me would make a difference on how much equipment...

Mr. Yost: When we went out there, there was probably 6 kids, couple playing basketball, couple on the swings, they were in the area playing when we were there and they were probably 10 or 12 years old.

Mr. Carmack: It seems to me these guys know their competition I mean look at the framing around the wood fill it is probably really close just a matter of overall features.

Mr. Yost: Well like I said Miracle probably did their homework and just went online and looked at our budget and saw exactly how much money we had.

Mr. Strong: I am sure that is what they did, they are smart.

Mr. McKenney: Well do you guys want to go back and have this rebid and basically explain particularly with respect to West Recreation that we don't think we need the taller poles and the roofs.

Mr. McIntyre: My assumption we would have to redo the RFP and resend it out.

Mr. McKenney: That is exactly what I am saying.

Mr. Behrend: That would mean August before you are going to do anything.

Mr. McKenney: Its everybody is lukewarm for different reasons here so I'm just...

Mr. Yost: Because it is a little piddly park I mean usually we have 75 or \$80,000.00 to spend on it.

Mr. Zachrel: I'm ready to make a motion and I would make a motion that we approve the Miracle bid and move forward.

Mr. Pike: I think I will second that motion.

Mr. Behrend: The question I want to ask is if we go ahead and approve this can we then go back to Miracle and say hey we want to swap out equipment within this price level that you bid.

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Behrend: That is legal?

Mr. Yost: Absolutely. That is exactly where I was headed.

Mr. Pike: And we have done that before.

Mr. Behrend: I just wanted to make sure.

Mr. McIntyre: And we just tell them here is the square footage what would you recommend versus here is our budget obviously and what can you give us for this.

Mr. Yost: I would say this is what we are looking for, like we want a swing set we wanted equipment within a certain age range and we wanted borders on it and the steel underneath and the drain system underneath of it in this area here.

Mr. Zachrel: So I will make the motion to go with Miracle as long as we can swap out and tweak as we move forward.

Mr. McKenney: Do you want to put dimensions in here?

Mr. Brown: No need to include in the motion then.

Mr. McIntyre: Is it the next meeting then that we would look at a catalog or they would give us options up front that we could just pick next meeting.

Mr. McKenney: Well we are talking about installing in July we probably need to do this either separately or email or something.

Mr. Yost: I think I have some Miracle books in my office, we can actually go online too Miracle is online and the prices are there.

Mr. Behrend: Call to question to motion on the floor.

Mr. McKenney: Who seconded it?

Mr. Behrend: Tim did.

Mr. McKenney: Tim did ok I didn't hear him sorry, they moved and seconded the question has been called, in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, motion carries, excuse me any abstentions, motion carries. All right next item.

Mr. Yost: The website is ww it is on the first sheet here, taylorsports.com you can look at equipment and start brainstorming.

Mr. McIntyre: Can you just ask them then to break this out, because all they are doing is saying whatever it was \$21,000.00 or whatever the number was.

Mr. Yost: You will see all the components online with prices.

Mr. McIntyre: Yea but there are labor costs, I am just wondering how much is a swing set, how much is, it would be difficult, say we want to swap...

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Mr. McKenney: All right I know that if I don't like this \$300.00 component but I like this \$300.00 one over here I can swap that and labor is labor.

Mr. Yost: Right I can call them and get a price on the equipment separated from that. He may even point me to...

Mr. Behrend: The biggest thing I think we need to worry about is the distance and space, see what we can do to shrink that to accommodate the neighbors.

Mr. Zachrel: I suggest we move on.

Old Business

Mr. McKenney: Old business, band shell.

Mr. Yost: Well as you guys recall we had a waved band shell that we all liked and took to the Commissioners and they hated it.

Mr. McKenney: He liked the wave one it was the other one you didn't like.

Mr. Strong: All right we basically kept the same site plan design before, we had a walkway for handicap over here on the side, the elevation from the stage was set 2 feet above the existing grade, the restrooms would be set at grade, the doorways originally we had situated off to the side, architect came back and said if we need to --- the back we can do that. Power will be located right in this area and sewer and water, water already exists on site (inaudible) the facilities might be sewer (inaudible). It is very large, very similar to what we have here...

Mr. Yost: They want it to be a match of this building.

Mr. Strong: The profile or the roofline is a little bit shallower than what is currently on this roof, the stage top is set at 15 feet from stage to ceiling is 15 feet, there is a diagonal

piece to help reflect the sound this way as requested by Brian Gross, restrooms are in the back, this is the utility room.

Mr. Behrend: How wide is it by someone who is a sound engineer and deals with music on a regular basis, expertise in the field.

Mr. Strong: I believe it was 40 feet wide x 20 feet deep, the stage is 20 feet deep. The columns are going to be brick will have a --- right here as around this building. Again the reflection pieces are there. I will deal with this a little bit later but just to let you know the lighting will sit back here in this spot and reflect down this way, these are a flood light system that will be on a dimmer switch. Montgomery County uses that system in some of their stages, it is an inexpensive way of lighting each stage and having a variable effect.

Mr. Behrend: What is the height?

Mr. Strong: From here to here is approximately another 7 feet.

Mr. Behrend: Total height?

Mr. Strong: Total height we are at 15 feet here, another foot here, 7 feet so 8, 15 here, 23 feet.

Mr. Behrend: So we are putting a 2-1/2-story building in the middle of an open park.

Mr. McIntyre: Where is this being proposed in the park, where the current is or is it actually out toward the middle.

Mr. Strong: Your parking lot is right here...

Mr. Behrend: Over by the arbor that way right?

Mr. Strong: The arbor is right here and then the --- coming from the arbor, here is the stage.

Mr. Pike: Where is the bank and where are the parking lots?

Mr. Strong: Bank is over here, this is the parking area here, corner right about here.

Mr. Behrend: So it is between the arbor and the houses.

Mr. Yost: No.

Mr. Strong: The gazebo is here...

Mr. Behrend: The arbor and Fisher.

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. McIntyre: So its back half way down Beall toward Domino's and all that is where, that is where it will back to, the bathrooms will face that parking lot.

Mr. Pike: This is the side view you can see from the streets?

Mr. Strong: This is the side view from Fisher Avenue.

Mr. Yost: Guess you all are hating it aren't you?

Mr. Pike: Oh yea.

Mr. Behrend: The --- of what we are doing to what is meant to be an open field park, sidelines of what we do to this building, to the neighbors.

Mr. McIntyre: Can we do that same kind of structure diagonally where the gazebo thing is now? I mean I know it is square but if you put that edge of the corner...

Mr. Strong: Well if we put it in the gazebo corner the residents were very concerned about that happening.

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Mr. McKenney: Well the side view from the main road I mean it is open a little bit. Frankly Tim summed it up, it looks like a garage.

Mr. Strong: The intent and the direction we had was that it should match the architect of this building, architecture of this building in materials, style and...

Mr. Yost: It will have the white trim along the side, brick I mean everything is going to be the exact same.

Mr. Zachrel: What is the correct way to put this, is it going to make a difference if we vote yes or no?

Mr. Brown: I would say it would. I think the Parks Board was unified on this that there would be a (inaudible)...

Mr. Zachrel: Because really again not that I mean to cut you short here I'm ready to make a motion.

Mr. Brown: But there is a --- part here originally that you guys came up I mean that was before my time that you guys came up with a completely different proposal that got finalized, I mean it went back and forth.

Mr. Behrend: Yea that was the goal to have it go back and forth, what we have out here is pretty close to what the final was submitted and then altered and then re-altered back to what we originally submitted. And we didn't have a Town Hall in the plan but we had the idea of the open park it part in consultation with the neighbors that they wouldn't be blocked from the street, they wouldn't be penned in, that is what I am talking about sidelines when I'm looking at this, that has been for lack of a better term the --- way of how we have got this set up.

Mr. McIntyre: Design wise does it have to be that tall?

Mr. Strong: If you are going to have the, if you look at the pitch issues, you wouldn't want kids to get up on top of the roof.

Mr. McKenney: John inside the shell there is that the angled roof so everything from that angled ceiling I guess for lack of a better term and above is all open, it is dead space right?

Mr. Yost: Dead space yes.

Mr. McKenney: And how does this room compare in size to that, probably pretty close right?

Mr. Strong: Roofline would probably be about right on this side.

Mr. Pike: That is the top of the roof, where is the --- going to be?

Mr. Strong: Well the front is 15 feet up we are probably at about 12 ½ right there.

Mr. Carmack: Do you know what the back of the ceiling is, the lower section to the right?

Mr. Strong: This section what is proposed for that is that we go with the solid block wall.

Mr. Carmack: But how high and how tall?

Mr. Yost: About 10 or 12 I forget.

Mr. Strong: I want to say it was like 10.

Mr. Behrend: So it is a 5-foot rise to the front.

Mr. Strong: Yes.

Mr. Behrend: 5 feet over 40 feet is not bad.

Mr. Carmack: Wait a minute where is your 40 feet.

Mr. Behrend: 40 foot stage.

Mr. Carmack: Width that is not...

Mr. Behrend: Oh width I am sorry, my numbers were flipped. It is still not a bad rise.

Mr. Brown: John part of my problem with this as we stand right now too is that we listened to Brian Gross who I know is a sound trained engineer etc., etc., etc., but it came down to the part of the openness of this has been without question compromised by closing the back and that was you know what you are seeing I am not sure I am fan of the roofline I want to look at it from the front again, but what we are seeing is I think without question the sideline has been screwed up, the back has been filled in which was a major contributor in my mind to the area and while I definitely respect Brian I also wonder you know it is not, I am sure we are going to have an orchestra play there, I am sure we are going to have some good people that need important sound play there but we have also got to decide I mean he is one man he has an opinion if you have that back open you are just going to destroy the sound but we also have in our mind a goal to be able to see through it and have it not be a big heavy object that sits there like a garage. The restrooms could still be built in with having that open in the back.

Mr. Strong: Well no...

Mr. McKenney: Go back to our original idea where we had that kind of, they were built on the edges. You know what I would like to ask Brian or any other sound technician, if you have an open shell similar to what we had originally proposed, and I understand the idea that you want the back closed so it bounces out, is there a moveable wall or are there panels that we can purchase so that when we do something like that we have music you put them up and then you take them down, in the meantime when you are not using it it is open.

Mr. Carmack: What is your feedback when we had bands out here, I could hear it at my house back here but they always had speakers right.

Mr. Yost: Most of them do we had some that were just like a bluegrass band and stuff they really didn't have it, some do, some don't.

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Mr. Brown: I would just have to wonder about what do you think about having our thought process be opening back up the back, not saying screw the sound but try to accomplish our goals of being able to see through it and have it not be a big weighty garage type object and then as a compromise to a --- on the Commissioner side obviously he has --- to Wade, I think if the back was open and maybe this roofline extended down over a little bit versus just trying to stay true to the building here and having it hang a little bit...

Mr. Yost: You just need more roof from the side view I think but I don't know how we would get the openness with that.

Mr. Strong: The problem is (inaudible) across this roofline and set a column here you know 4 columns sitting in the front and it would create a roof and then a restroom and we are going to end up with that crawl space problem.

Mr. Yost: I know and then you have Staff that has to set everything up every time and it would be a pain and take it down afterward.

Mr. Brown: I know --- the idea about having something removable but not just forego the aesthetics to try and have the best possible sound because I think I forget somebody told us when we gave the presentation it was like oh the wave sucked.

Mr. Yost: Brian said that, he said the wave doesn't do anything for the sound.

Mr. Pike: I think this sucks.

Mr. McKenney: I'll second that I can do that.

Mr. Strong: First of all do you all want a restroom in this, this is part of the...

Mr. Pike: Yes the restroom we need. Can we sink it down?

Mr. Strong: Well it may create a sump.

Mr. Behrend: We have ADA issues you got water issues.

Mr. Pike: It has got to go pretty deep.

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Mr. Carmack: Right but is it everybody's issue as that you are coming up Fisher you are going to see that back brick wall, it is all brick along the back?

Mr. Brown: So the primary purpose of this facility would be between the music and any other...

Mr. Yost: Right now no, maybe theatrical at some point.

Mr. Pike: Skateboarding off of it.

Mr. Zachrel: If they could keep everything and just get a new roof.

Mr. Yost: I think the 24 x 40 feet where there was a wave when it was going to be we were going to have that much of a stage.

Mr. Strong: This site plan has not changed drastically from whatever building was proposed, it stayed pretty much the same.

Mr. Pike: Except for the roof.

Mr. Behrend: With due respect to the President of the Commissioners, why this slavish devotion to making everything look exactly like this, why no alternative no shift.

Mr. Yost: Because he feels like the downtown area in the Master Plan with the architectural guidelines and have the colonial historical kind of feel and look.

Mr. Behrend: Well there are ways we can do that without an exact duplicate of Town Hall at 23 feet off the ground. I mean it looks like a garage, I mean there are alternatives we can do, a roofline that is still within the federalist period that the Master Plan calls for.

Mr. Brown: Lets have a suggestion. I mean I don't want to ask John to spend any more money on it if we can't decide between federal and...

Mr. Yost: Yea it would be nice if you guys would give us like this to go back and see if we can make a few architectural changes.

Mr. Pike: Who is on the design committee for this?

Mr. Yost: And then come back again and we'll get it set here --- the meeting if the Commissioners how come they sent it back to us and we can do that.

Mr. Brown: If we give Eddie and we don't have to give him anything but as an ode to his preferences and discussion points I think if we give him anything with a pitched roof of some sort whether it is flatter I think if he has got reasonableness on however that will be...

Mr. McIntyre: Can it be pitched either way? I am thinking of the houses in Hunter's Run, some of them have the T it is just a little point that comes out front but the roof still goes front to back but still it is the colonial type look.

Mr. Behrend: Like I said I can see federalist because that is what the Master Plan calls for that supposedly he is after. There are alternative rooflines we could use that still fits the federalist look without copying this building.

Mr. Brown: I can almost guarantee that he would approve a federalist look. How bout this is everybody ok, we are all ok with the footprint and the general idea of --- the back do we have to have open in the back I mean I don't want to keep going back to that but that whole blockade back style is potentially a sticking point.

Mr. Carmack: That is a big structure to stick in there, you guys decided earlier with the other structure that...

Mr. Brown: I think we walked off, really when you enclose it in, it's not going to be...

Mr. Yost: It is not that big.

Mr. Zachrel: I don't have a problem with the back being closed, my only issue is the roof.

Mr. Yost: Well we can drop it down to a 412 or a 512.

Mr. Brown: To me that is a solution plus not having the hard cutoff on where the --- are.

Mr. Pike: Who was on the design committee.

Mr. Behrend: You are looking at them.

Mr. Pike: Us.

Mr. Yost: We sent it up, the Commissioners said they didn't like that, they would rather see a --- so John and I put this together so here it is, lets cut it up and give us suggestions whatever, it is not ready for you guys to take it back to the Commissioners I understand that ok so lets work on it.

Mr. McKenney: I want open from the side.

Mr. Yost: Open from the side what do you mean?

Mr. Pike: I thought we wanted to be able to see to the back.

Mr. McKenney: You mean have the back open.

Mr. Pike: No not the back the side, like looking from Fisher down toward the houses.

Mr. Carmack: When there is like music and the movie night, just trying to think of where do people go to the bathroom now.

Mr. Yost: We did open it for the Holiday Lighting Ceremony and had somebody sit in here. And for the movies we get the porta-potties and sit them out there on the parking lot.

Mr. Brown: Well I wouldn't mind seeing the roofline stick and then potentially even bring the columns over but get rid of the square garage look of it. Either make the roof a little squattier and extend out over the columns so they are just not roofline, column or just bring the columns in...

Mr. Strong: Well the columns stood out in the front of the stage.

Mr. Pike: Or extend the roof further down.

Mr. Strong: The columns sit right here and this area here to here and this boxed area this is 21.4 x 40.

Mr. McKenney: So that corner is at the minimum obstruction.

Mr. Strong: Correct.

Mr. Yost: We could definitely shrink that down to 30, 40 is pretty big.

Mr. Strong: Yea we could change it around. But the thought process was if you ever had a full band or something like that you are going to need it.

Mr. Brown: If you went, not that it is going to happen all the time but the Poolesville Symphony Orchestra was at John Poole and they had the entire stage completely packed and had to constantly move chairs around to get people in and out.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I would rather have a little extra now and not need it but have it for later.

Mr. Strong: What I am hearing is it is the roofline that everybody objects to.

Mr. McKenney: That and I think the closed back I don't know where we are on that.

Mr. Strong: I don't know what you can do about the closed back, we can put a staggered roofline on it but that would look --- and we don't want the ability to have (inaudible).

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Mr. Strong: You have this right through here and then you have an area for kids to --- get between the open area and also kids get up in there.

Mr. Brown: Is it not possible to put on that back section, well this could be much to do about nothing because if we can sit here and work out a compromise that the back section be open then everybody could agree on it and the most logical way to do would be maybe a 3 foot gap I mean that is what it comes down to because I think the only way to stop kids from getting on it and you can't build everything to be kid proof but put some sort of an angle on it on that back section as it comes down through here or the walls above there to have it be something so that they can't get on top of it.

Mr. Strong: Well this area from here up will be closed in, the soffet runs right along here.

Mr. Brown: I just don't know the way to accomplish that unless somebody has some ideas to make that open.

Mr. McIntyre: And will there be more lighting out there or will it be dark kind of like it is now.

Mr. Strong: There is going to be additional lighting going in.

Mr. McIntyre: Is it going to be a concern I guess is my point.

Mr. Yost: There is going to be lighting that we can turn on on this building.

Mr. McIntyre: No I mean out of hours, 11, 12 at night will it be dark or will it be something that if you see a kid on the roof you would be able to see it.

Mr. Yost: We are going to install 4 streetlights on either side of the parking lot.

Mr. McIntyre: That's not my question, is it going to be something that we have got to really worry about. I mean at night whatever we have got here, 7, 8, 9 of us drives down the road would we be able to see a kid on the roof.

Mr. Yost: Not once the lights are installed.

Mr. Brown: Just make sure there is a flat area here to allow them and if there is no avoiding it then it is pretty much how things --- we could try to put more of an angle on it something that would allow show through or even a hard angle here.

Mr. Zachrel: And like you said what we are hearing is we really don't like the roof, well if we don't like the roof where do we go from here. I mean really what is our next step from here if we don't like the roof are we looking to remodel.

Mr. Strong: Pretty much from here down is what you are going to be able to get the restrooms have to be closed.

Mr. McKenney: Well the way we could really change this is to take the restrooms out.

Mr. Strong: Absolutely but then his funding goes away.

Mr. Brown: No I think we need the restrooms.

Mr. Pike: I think so that is part of the funding.

Mr. McKenney: We can't put the restrooms somewhere else in a building by itself right?

Mr. Yost: You can.

Mr. McKenney: And then we still have the funding?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

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Mr. McIntyre: A small shed and then you are looking at something like over at Stevens.

Mr. McKenney: We talked about it over here but there was a reason why we couldn't do it over here right and I couldn't remember what that was.

Mr. Zachrel: And again I think it just comes right back to the roof and where do we go from here.

Mr. Yost: There is much more expense to building 2 separate buildings.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I agree.

Mr. Yost: I think that is what it was.

Mr. Brown: Well I am open for suggestions on the roof. I don't necessarily like it either and I have already made my suggestions to bring the columns in a little bit give it some dimension to it besides having column roof, I mean bring the columns in let the roof overhang change or extending the roofline.

Mr. Yost: But then you are just seeing more and more roofing.

Mr. Brown: Ok don't extend the roof then make the roof have the roof be the same size, we already know that we have got a big stage, if we are not going to cut that down maybe bring the columns in a little bit, something to break up the architecture of up and over and the roofline and Kurt if you have a federalist idea of that roofline I mean...

Mr. Behrend: I would have to do some research but like I say federalist is what is in the Master Plan and that answers Eddie's questions of we have got to match the Master Plan.

Mr. Brown: He is thinking matching our concept etc., too, I would have to think there would be something federalist that would also match something of this committee.

Mr. Behrend: Yea but the slavish devotion of must be precisely the same I think that is where we run into problems.

Mr. McKenney: You can have the Town Hall as the large house and the unattached garage over there.

Mr. Zachrel: Like you said maybe we need to do a little research and maybe float some via email just float different ideas around what it might look like and then come back with a consensus. I would have to get on the Internet and look around and see what I thought.

Mr. Pike: Could you make the sides extend?

Mr. Brown: Everybody yelled at me Tim when I suggested that because it makes the roof bigger.

Mr. Strong: If we set the roof down then the profile looking up the street, all you are going to see is more building. If you squish this down then it gets oblong, if you move the pillars in that changes some bearing issues but we can get around that but then you have some obstruction so that is why they are set where they are set.

Mr. Behrend: Don't take this personal we appreciate the efforts you guys put into this.

Mr. Brown: Actually this has gotten us to a point where we have agreed basically now that there is, we do want bathrooms, they are to be in the back of the building, the back of the building is going to be closed in, and now it is just a matter of deciding if there is a more federalist roofline that will work and is I would just like to see us have some sort of architecture on the back of that building.

Mr. Behrend: You don't want just a flat wall.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I agree.

Mr. Brown: So besides that I mean that is it. Lets find rooflines that we like and acknowledge that we have to have some sort of architectural situation on the back.

Mr. Strong: Are you thinking vertical or horizontal?

Mr. Brown: Yea.

Mr. Pike: Like CVS did.

Mr. Strong: I mean this is a silly thing to say but we are talking here, you could put some false windows in...

Mr. Behrend: Like CVS did.

Mr. Pike: Wade said no windows.

Mr. Yost: I did not.

Mr. McKenney: It would be similar to what CVS has, it is the appearance of a window that used to be there.

Mr. Strong: That is a brickwork issue.

Mr. Behrend: Just something to break up a solid wall.

Mr. Brown: I won't suggest to the Commissioners if you guys will keep it quiet that we are now taking our architectural --- from CVS.

Mr. Behrend: And concerning the roof --- what they should have been doing in the first place to get to there so actually Link should enjoy that.

Mr. Pike: That is a nice building to look at.

Mr. Brown: So now we are down to a federalist roofline suggestion from all of us have to put this together I think we should do it via email and come up with some shoot a couple pictures back and forth.

Mr. Yost: Most of those are going to be steep and slanted.

Mr. Behrend: A lot of them are steep but obviously CVS isn't.

Mr. Pike: And once it is built we will get used to it.

Mr. Brown: And don't bother looking at band shells online we have done this and the suggestions aren't necessarily...

Mr. McKenney: Could a federalist roof be flat like CVS with like the appearance of a raised...

Mr. Yost: That is what I was just thinking too.

Mr. McKenney: I'm kind of thinking that because of the back I'm thinking move the windows in and get rid of this big pitch thing and just a flat thing, I don't know how it would look from the front, from the back it would look good but I don't know how the front would look.

Mr. Behrend: It depends on what part of the federalist period you run into and I would defer to Link on what he wants because that's the Planning Commission they came up with that.

Mr. Yost: Well in the Master Plan they have samples.

Mr. McKenney: Like that roof, it is flat but it has got...

Mr. Yost: Right. That actually is pitched but you can't tell.

Mr. McKenney: But you can't see it, it is behind the façade. I mean it fits with Town Hall but it is different its not waiting for Wade to put a motorcycle in it. But it would look nice from the side.

Mr. McIntyre: That right there is 7 foot so you are looking at right there this opening from here to here that is up to like there, that is what makes this roof so, I mean what are you looking for here if you got a person in here you are talking about somebody about that big. This is all just wasted space right? Even if you left that there and just like that and did something...

Mr. McKenney: Does the front height have something to do with the sloped ceiling?

Mr. Strong: That 15 feet was based upon the original wave design, it was set at 15 feet. And that is so when you are performing if you want to bring in lights and stuff you can hang your lights because if you make it 10 foot and then they hang it 2 ½ or 3 feet down.

Mr. McIntyre: You have to look at what does the front of this look like is there a way to leave this here but...

Mr. Strong: Well then you change the truss system.

Mr. Yost: You could make the front of it 12 foot.

Mr. Strong: You could drop it down but you start to, when you have a performer who hangs their light bars across and then when those lights hang down 2 ½ to 3 feet...

Mr. Behrend: The light system you are talking about, the lights would all be along the front right?

Mr. Strong: The light system that I am talking about are permanent lights not anything that people bring in.

Mr. Behrend: And so we would have bars in there for them to hang on to?

Mr. Strong: They would have to supply that and do that themselves. They have their own trees and stuff that they put the lights up on.

Mr. Yost: Dropping all that down would really take away from that back because that back is so ugly.

Mr. Strong: Now one thing that I just quick was jotting down, you can put in false windows here and here on the side also that would break it up a little bit.

Mr. McIntyre: The windows that roof and drop it down a few feet you made it more (inaudible) and not lost any real space.

Mr. Yost: You are still going to see that roofline even with that façade, you will see that façade from the front of the building, from the sides of the building you will see the roof.

Mr. Strong: I mean it is just a façade.

Mr. McKenney: Is there any reason why it has to be pitched that much?

Mr. Yost: Well its so wide, it is 40 foot wide so it would be super squatty so you want to pitch it up so it doesn't look so squatty, just because it is 40 feet wide.

Mr. McKenney: All right forget the pitch entirely, assume you have a flat roof, with that sort of façade, now granted you don't want a flat roof because you want it to drain but can you make the pitch so shallow that it drains but you don't see it, with that sort of thing on the sides too, not just the front and back but the sides.

Mr. Yost: Yea you could do that.

Mr. Strong: You could put a false façade on that.

Mr. McKenney: Put it all the way around.

Mr. Brown: I would still be interested in seeing a little more federalist getting an idea of what that is, I mean it is a good idea and it could be the answer.

Mr. McKenney: I like that but I have no idea what that is.

Mr. McIntyre: But I think the tie in to the old Town Hall kind of...

Mr. Behrend: Yea it's got a tie in. Although at the risk of hearing the (inaudible). Lets go do our research, lets come back, I mean I think we have talked it through as far as we can tonight.

Mr. Brown: I think we've decided just about everything except maybe bringing the roof not to keep going here but what about in order to erase some of the --- can't that be closed in a little bit, can't that beam going across just be lowered a little bit and then have more of the interior roof area be used to provide the lighting and etc.

Mr. McKenney: That extra little strip there is not a beam it's the back of the angled ceiling right.

Mr. Strong: That is correct.

Mr. McKenney: So going to what Kevin was saying my question I have is, this is not a beam that's the roof that is the ceiling line coming in right, what you see here right ok if you bring this whole thing down a couple feet does that make this ceiling for a person standing here to play or whatever, does that make this wall look really short, the optical illusion where you are...

Mr. Brown: You said it was 12 foot?

Mr. Strong: Roughly 12 foot.

Mr. McKenney: I understand that but if I am standing, if I get up against this wall this is 12 feet but if I am standing out there and somebody is looking at the audience and the audience is looking at me does it look like the roof is right on top of my head?

Mr. Brown: But then go back do you absolutely have to have that roof.

Mr. Pike: So what is your point Doug, I don't know what you are getting at?

Mr. McKenney: If you bring this, not the roof, I am talking about the ceiling, if you bring the whole building down a little, this goes from 12 feet to 10 feet for arguments sake, and the optical illusion to get people in the room where they are in the same square but one was really super tall and one was tiny that would be your perspective...

Mr. Pike: And just hide the rest of the roof right?

Mr. Carmack: Instead of the back being at 10 feet it would be at 8 feet.

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Mr. McKenney: When I am standing at the front of the stage think about it because...

Mr. Behrend: I got what you are saying.

Mr. McKenney: I don't know how to explain it.

Mr. Pike: I understand but...

Mr. McKenney: If you stand here and you have your scenery in the back are you going to look like your head is above that scenery, if you lower, does that make sense now, and that may be the reason why it was designed so high.

Mr. Yost: One thing we were looking at, you want to give him his full 12% slope, if we didn't give him that we've got to hit it up (inaudible).

Mr. McKenney: Here is another thing can you drop this down, can you put the slope all the way up so it ends...

Mr. Yost: Yea like 8%.

Mr. McKenney: Can you go up into the roof?

Mr. Yost: No the trusses, because those trusses are special because they are sloped.

Mr. Brown: The trusses would stop it, that is what I thought you could build it into the roof, which would still give lighting underneath it.

Mr. Behrend: Is an 8% solution a solution? How much do you lose, I am not going there, I mean I realize Brian has a very fine ear and is looking for perfection, well this is government we don't always get perfection, we get what works for everybody so is 8%, 10%, 7%, 5% what is the right, the best that we can do that still gives us decent sightlines and the other things we are worried about as well. I mean 12% may be ideal but can we live with 8 and still get decent, most of us who aren't such perfect ears will deal with it.

Mr. Pike: I mean won't the sound go off the sides anyway?

Mr. Behrend: Anyway moving on.

Mr. Zachrel: I have to run here I've just got a quick question, on the Park Rules and Regulations – A) are we going to get to that tonight?

Mr. McKenney: No.

Mr. Zachrel: Ok.

Mr. McKenney: But it is ok if you want to rewrite them for the next time.

Mr. Yost: One comment I was thinking about your flat roof, it may look ok from the front but from every other angle it is going to look like the carwash that was torn down next to McDonalds.

Mr. McKenney: Unless I am thinking build that façade on all four sides. Not just on the front and the back but all the way around.

Mr. Strong: There is an issue also that you are going to have to remember that we will have to take a look at that elevation of Fisher Avenue looking down because with a flat roof you may actually be looking down on top of a roof.

Mr. McKenney: Ok.

Mr. Yost: Jerry hates flat roofs we know that.

Mr. Behrend: We are not talking a perfectly flat roof either I mean there is a pitch in there, a minimal pitch.

Mr. McKenney: And when I said that façade I was actually I didn't say it but I was envisioning it on all four sides not just the front.

Mr. Yost: But then it would be 20 foot wide. You could build like castle things on each corner.

Mr. Strong: Just to get some perspective here this piece here is 9 feet wide.

Mr. McKenney: Yea something like that you would need 2 of them across there.

Mr. Yost: Well what is our marching orders what do you guys want to see?

Mr. Brown: I'm going to go on record that I could be in favor of I know people won't like this but I think we have worked out some of the issues and I could be in favor of actually going with it if there was just a little removal of the boxiness on the front, either bring the columns in or extend the roofline down a little bit. And other than that it is up to us.

Mr. Yost: Do you want to bring the whole thing down it is pretty tall.

Mr. McIntyre: Change the pitch of that back so that we can bring it down.

Mr. Behrend: If you can put an 8% pitch on that inner roof and that still leaves you at 12 feet at the back point that might be ideal.

Mr. Yost: Or 10 at the back.

Mr. Brown: I say just try to shrink it down some.

Mr. Behrend: Bear in mind we are not going to have people at this end of the park looking at a play or something all the way over there, it would be highly unusual if that was to occur. So you are going to be 150 at max from that back wall I mean that is part of your sightline from the perspective Doug is talking.

Mr. McKenney: Definitely the brick work around both sides and the back and maybe over the top so the doors or something like that to break it up too but I still would be interested in seeing if Kurt can come up with whatever federalist roof thing.

Mr. Behrend: If I have time to do the research.

Mr. Brown: Columns or not, like the idea of bringing the columns in?

Mr. Pike: I kind of like them.

Mr. Carmack: I like where they are.

Mr. McKenney: Yea I like leaving them out.

Mr. Behrend: I don't think they really need to be out.

Mr. Yost: Good on that one then?

Mr. McKenney: Committee reports. All right do we need to look at Fisher Avenue and Elgin Road right now or can that wait?

Mr. Yost: You know it would be nice just to go through it and you guys make some recommendations because reviewing road construction has got to go to the Commissioners after your recommendation and then contracted out and all that good stuff.

Mr. Brown: And there is money in the budget coming up for it and we have also talked about trails money that could be used as well.

Mr. Yost: Yep it is going to get done this year.

Mr. McKenney: Ok so lets talk about Fisher Avenue and the Elgin Road sidewalks.

Mr. Pike: Elgin Road?

Mr. McKenney: Yep.

Mr. Brown: I say we do all of them.

Mr. McIntyre: How much is the total, total cost projected \$275,000.00.

Mr. Brown: We use all of them and we use the trails money to fund Fisher Avenues portion of it.

Mr. Strong: This is looking up Elgin Road from the church area where the sidewalk ends. You can see there is a power pole right there but otherwise it is fairly straightforward, we can move the sidewalk around the power pole right up the road --- the crossing. Approximately 400 linear feet from --- the sidewalk will be constructed with no curb and gutter. The estimated cost for that is \$13,000.00.

Mr. Yost: On those just to jump back real quick on Elgin we need to get easements for right of ways so that will be held off a little bit but hopefully by the time Tom Kettler begins building his portion of the sidewalk we will have those in hand.

Mr. Pike: Does that include curb and gutter?

Mr. Strong: No curb and gutter.

Mr. Yost: He can't down there no it is a scenic highway, the state won't let us.

Mr. Behrend: Well if there is no curb and gutter we got to do something to back it off from the road or separate it from the road.

Mr. Strong: Right there would be a setback. Fisher Avenue approximately 2900 linear feet of sidewalk, it will also include construction of the --- driveway here and a retaining wall, grades, curb and gutter. The area assuming that you are looking at Fisher Avenue running generally east to west this is the south side and that is where the construction will be.

Mr. Behrend: The church side of Fisher.

Mr. Strong: Correct.

Mr. McIntyre: If we were to use the trails money do we have to make that 6 feet?

Mr. Yost: Yes.

Mr. Strong: Yes and then whatever linear foot that is it is an additional \$3.50.

Mr. Behrend: Per linear foot?

Mr. Strong: Yes. All right this is a photo looking from Wootton down, this is Selby's there is curb and gutter already in place.

Mr. Yost: In front of the townhouses.

Mr. Strong: That is correct these are townhouses right here.

Mr. Brown: Still Fisher Avenue?

Mr. Strong: Still Fisher Avenue. Sidewalk going down this way there are existing trees, we are practically, the survey has been done yet by the way, our practical we keep the trees in place but we are also trying to do more, probably use a smaller retaining wall to impact the root systems so we don't disturb the roots. This is looking up Luhn, this is the area that requires a retaining wall in this location, it is approximately a 4 foot retaining wall, the area in orange is lots that are available for development and that area could be paid by a developer for improvements, or the Town could go ahead and get the improvements and when the area does develop it could be an impact fee. Westerly toward Tom Fox, this is Westerly right here, it is not a real problem we may have to do a little bit of retaining wall work through here but most of that is being done by the property owner here and then it would flatten out and there would be a handicap ramp right through here along with crosswalks.

Mr. Yost: This is just sidewalk only right now we are talking about?

Mr. Strong: That is correct.

Mr. Pike: No curb and gutter?

Mr. Strong: Well curb and gutter would also be included in the price that I am going to give you.

Mr. Behrend: It better be.

Mr. Strong: All along here this is to be done by developers, developers have already submitted their plans for work although they are concept only, so we do know that they are working on that, that is Parcel 477 right about here.

Mr. Behrend: That is the horse farm?

Mr. Strong: Yes right. Next the speed cameras to the right, right in this area, there is a drainage swale right through here, once we have the survey we will be able to determine if we will be able to grade across if not then a small retaining wall especially up in this area there is a mound that sits right by the speed cameras and juts out right here it juts out to be --- Tom Fox this whole area would have to be reworked I'm pretty sure, they only show a crosswalk to the existing walkway. The cost for this the Town's portion excluding the areas marked in orange \$290,000.00, the developer's cost would be approximately \$56,000.00, which means the total cost for this project is \$275,000.00.

Mr. Behrend: How many rights of way and easements would we have to get?

Mr. Yost: We have the one by the church, there is already one where the townhouses are, all the way down through Luhn they should be there from the original development, the farm will be giving us an easement and doing the sidewalk, so I think the house on the corner of Westerly and the two lots that want to be developed by Willard there need to be...

Mr. Behrend: Anybody that wants to develop we have a hook.

Mr. Yost: Yea exactly. So the one small white house on the corner really is about the only one and there may be one there I am not positive.

Mr. Behrend: As I recall with Streetscape there was a lot of ownership out into the road.

Mr. Yost: If you go on the other side of the road that is exactly true.

Mr. Behrend: The other side not this side?

Mr. Yost: Yep because those are all original houses before developments came in.

Mr. Strong: Then Wootton Avenue from Parcel 840, which is the park property up to Norris, we just got the survey in for that. Did this parcel already belong to the Town approximately 45, I guess it was MacKenzie originally.

Mr. Yost: Right where MacKenzie has his trees all planted we knew there was a parcel there so we went ahead and had it surveyed and actually a portion of his fence does cross over the line and the pillar in the front there is actually on our property, so all the trees that is all a town parcel that was deeded way back in the 60's.

Mr. Strong: So approximately 660 linear feet of 5-foot sidewalk to be constructed there, one driveway to be constructed, we were given direction to see if we could do the roadway for this parcel and yes we can, these trees would go during construction there at this point right here due to impact the parcel is not quite square, the roadway looks like it is square but it is not, the parcel surveys different. There would be drain improvements to the drain through here, drain swale actually and put at least one inlet in if not more based on what we have seen. Cost of the curb and gutter with paving and the drainage improvement and also construction of the sidewalk and right in this area that is...

Mr. Brown: Are we talking about curb and gutter with space, green space between the sidewalk?

Mr. Strong: It is already a 2 foot green space but we will have curb and gutter.

Mr. McKenney: Why were we thinking about this given the fact that we have sidewalk and curb and gutter, well sidewalk on the other side.

Mr. Pike: Because the Skatepark is going in.

Mr. Yost: This is coming from the Parcel 840 committee. On Monday we are having a meeting actually and I think that a couple members have talked about doing some improvements to the frontage, we don't know what those are right now so we will be prepared with the numbers, because there has been talk of should we widen Wootton Avenue slightly through here. There was an accident a couple weeks ago, some of those parked vehicles, 2 of them got smashed into, someone rear ended them, so this is part of our discussion.

Mr. Brown: Overall Wootton Avenue improvements in addition to sidewalk safety.

Mr. McKenney: I guess I am disinclined because we have sidewalk on one side already, now granted if we get the Skatepark and whatever but I'm not even sure that, but I understand have the numbers ready.

Mr. Yost: So I think this is a different pot of money from what we are talking about.

Mr. McKenney: I think we could use that, instead of spending that money I think we could use it elsewhere more immediately but that is everybody else's thing.

Mr. Strong: Ok West Willard fairly straight forward there is not a lot of construction in the way. Construction of approximately 700 linear feet of 5 foot curb, we did break it down as an option putting in the curb and gutter, we think we could probably handle any drainage issues with a curb similar to what you see right here. The sidewalk portion of construction is \$22,000.00, the optional curb and gutter cost is \$20,000.00, the curb and gutter and sidewalk (inaudible).

Mr. Yost: And I don't believe I have easements anywhere here.

Mr. McIntyre: Isn't there sidewalk on the other side?

Mr. Strong: Yes there is.

Mr. Pike: It is not complete though.

Mr. Yost: To the Baptist Church parking lot.

Mr. Pike: But it is not really a good sidewalk.

Mr. Strong: It floods out and washes out all the time.

Mr. Behrend: So does Tom Fox.

Mr. McKenney: I'm probably in the same boat on this one as I was on the other one.

Mr. Brown: Lot of foot traffic though.

Mr. Pike: Yea a lot of foot traffic in the morning. Plus with the new development there is going to be more foot traffic.

Mr. Strong: When we were looking at this it was right about the time school got out and kids kind of wander depending on the position they wander between the two streets and they seem for whatever reasons the neighbors don't want them.

Mr. Brown: Yea a professional style curb and gutter on that side of the road would be heavily used I think, I am not saying it has to happen right away because there is --- on the one side but it is the pattern the kids use and I have no idea why they tromp across a field when the sidewalk at least today it was dry on the other side.

Mr. Pike: Leads ya to 107 down here. They will walk from the new development.

Mr. Brown: Very good thanks for the (inaudible).

Mr. Yost: So what is your recommendation to go forward with what sections?

Mr. Behrend: Assuming from all this since I missed the last meeting that the Tom Fox option is out the window.

Mr. Yost: It went to the back burner at the last meeting by this Board.

Mr. McKenney: Last month we were Fisher Avenue, then Elgin, then Tom Fox was our priority list.

Mr. Pike: Did we get a price for Tom Fox?

Mr. Brown: Wasn't it like the \$250,000 to \$270,000 range for the one stretch?

Mr. Yost: Yea it was.

Mr. Brown: Curb and gutter only, no redo of the swale, no green space.

Mr. Yost: Yea whatever money we put in the budget for that would cover that cost.

Mr. Pike: We can put Wootton in with the Skatepark right.

Mr. Yost: Yea that can be a different pot of money.

Mr. Pike: And then Fisher probably right?

Mr. McKenney: Fisher got priority last month.

Mr. Pike: And Elgin could tie into the new development. And then Tom Fox was on the list too.

Mr. Brown: I actually didn't push it last meeting.

Mr. Pike: Pushing which?

Mr. Brown: Fisher Avenue.

Mr. McIntyre: That was actually Butch and I more in favor of doing something where there isn't something now.

Mr. Brown: But question for you Wade, we are talking about trails money, how much is there that could be used to do Fisher Avenue.

Mr. McIntyre: \$200,000.00.

Mr. Brown: Just \$200,000.00 even.

Mr. Yost: We have \$250,000.00 in just the sidewalk money, at least \$200,000.00 for trails.

Mr. Pike: Like \$250,000.00 for sidewalks at least \$200,000.00 for trails.

Mr. Behrend: You are roughly talking \$500,000.00 maybe a little less, \$450,000.00

Mr. Pike: \$275,000.00 less \$56,000.00 for Fisher.

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Mr. Pike: You guys whispering over there or are you on the record?

Mr. Brown: I pointed it this way so the Town Manager couldn't hear me but he knows what I am up too. I am on record as being in favor of attacking all of our sidewalk issues including Tom Fox and I would like to figure out a way to fund it and I don't necessarily feel like its something that we can postpone, we can do what we need to do, but if there is money right now and potentially we could use some of our excess to go toward it, we don't have any other big capital projects that we are trying to accomplish beyond Streetscape.

Mr. McKenney: If we did something like that wouldn't we still be above our Charter requirements.

Mr. Brown: Our end unrestricted funds now is as we stand right now how much. I am not saying my fellow Commissioners are going to go for this either but I'm just out here because I want to do the right thing for safety sidewalks etc.

Mr. Yost: About 1.3 million.

Mr. Brown: 1.3.

Mr. Behrend: What does that require?

Mr. Brown: It requires a little under 9 right?

Mr. Yost: \$850,000.00.

Mr. Brown: I am definitely in favor of being fiscally responsible don't get me wrong but we are sitting on a chunk of change that's right there.

Mr. Behrend: Burning a hole in our pocket.

Mr. Brown: Not burning a hole in mine but I am just in favor of doing what is the right thing, I mean the right thing is that we have got some safety issues, we've definitely been tasked by some residents to --- the end to end part of the community.

Mr. McKenney: So lets just say for arguments sake you take Fisher Avenue and that is \$275,000.00.

Mr. Pike: But \$56,000.00 of that we will get back eventually.

Mr. Yost: And it will be difficult to do all of that because the horse farm their fences and everything are right in the way of where the sidewalk would want to be.

Mr. Behrend: Whenever they move forward, which in this economy could be awhile.

Mr. Brown: Right which I'm not, I mean I've always been a proponent of that if it is possible for us to do it, it makes sense for us to do it versus wait for the developer.

Mr. Behrend: But we could always set up something where they have to pay us back as part of the deal.

Mr. McKenney: We have done that before.

Mr. Carmack: What did we estimate Tom Fox at?

Mr. Behrend: \$275,000.00 I believe was the Chevrolet version. \$750,000.00 was the Cadillac.

Mr. McKenney: All right so if we did Fisher and we did West Willard and we did Tom Fox...

Mr. Pike: Why West Willard?

Mr. McKenney: Well because...

Mr. Behrend: It makes sense. There is a lot of traffic that goes through there. The Fisher to Wootton, West Willard, Fisher to Wootton.

Mr. McKenney: So what I am looking at right now is West Willard Road, avoid Fisher Avenue, Wootton Avenue to Tom Fox Avenue all right so if you label them 1, 2, 3 and 4 I am looking at 2 and 4, do 2 and 4 and throw Tom Fox in there at \$275,000.00 you are at...

Mr. Yost: \$285,000.00 really.

Mr. McKenney: \$285,000.00?

Mr. Yost: That is what the cost would be with the 6 foot wide, Fisher Avenue, Wootton to Tom Fox.

Mr. McKenney: You are looking at 602 so you are looking at \$600,000.00 now that would be West Willard Road and Fisher Avenue and then the one that is not on here would be Tom Fox, don't touch Elgin Road for the moment, don't touch Wootton for the moment all right lets just work through, yea \$275,000 was the Chevy version, so that is \$602,000.00, we have grants...

Mr. Behrend: It will be a little bit more because there is that section just on the other side where we thought we had sidewalk and we don't. So you would want to finish that off so say 300 in the round figure.

Mr. McKenney: All right so you are at, well that is \$25,000.00 I don't think it is going to cost that much for that section, say \$620,000.00 that is pretty high, so we have what do we have budgeted?

Mr. Yost: \$250,000.00 and \$227,000.00.

Mr. Behrend: \$477,000.00 available.

Mr. McKenney: \$477,000.00 available right so...

Mr. Pike: How come we are not including Elgin?

Mr. McKenney: Hang on for the moment. Because the amount of traffic that goes down there, I mean what there is 4 houses.

Mr. Yost: So it's not a priority.

Mr. McKenney: Just moving the priorities around. Because I agree it needs to be done but I think where is the heaviest traffic and the argument that didn't occur to me with all the high school kids leaving and walking that lead me to oh ok that makes sense to do that at the end of the day. And Wootton I am kind of like next budget round, we have got a sidewalk on the other side already, yes it needs to be improved but not...

Mr. Behrend: We are not building there yet.

Mr. McKenney: Right exactly so if \$477,000.00 is, its about \$143,000.00 we take it from the overage and made hardly a dent in it, if you are at 1.3 and are taking \$150,000.00 out of there, you are still at 1.1, you are still well over.

Mr. Behrend: The other concern I will raise and I know other Commissioners will raise it is precedent where you are taking from the Reserve Fund.

Mr. Brown: I think our precedent has been dealt with in the past for that.

Mr. McKenney: You are looking at taking a little over 10% of your reserve and you are looking at, the requirement is what 800, 850, so...

Mr. Behrend: Still about \$300,000.00 over.

Mr. McKenney: Yea so you are taking half of your overage, no not even, a quarter of your overage.

Mr. Behrend: About a third.

Mr. McKenney: \$850,000.00 and we are at 1.3...

Mr. Yost: The other side of the coin is the Commissioners are constantly being criticized for having too much over.

Mr. McKenney: So this is an argument that ok fine we are going to be fiscally responsible but at the same time use some of the overage, you are going to accomplish some well-needed projects and approve safety and aesthetics and yada yada yada.

Mr. Brown: And (inaudible) point to it is just getting off the dime if we decide this is the direction we want to go.

Mr. Behrend: The other thing is that is an overage this year, whatever our funding projections for the town for the next couple of years granted if Winchester comes in and Kettler comes in yea you got money rolling in.

Mr. Yost: Well you can't count their money.

Mr. Behrend: No you can't absolutely not, I said if...

Mr. Brown: The only thing we could count from them is their household tax but that is it.

Mr. Yost: But the next couple of years are going to be a little harder because the County and State keep cutting our revenue sharing funds.

Mr. Behrend: Right so how much of that overage are we going to eat up in our year expenses of things we have to do.

Mr. Brown: I don't see us allowing that.

Mr. Yost: We will be careful with the funds we have.

Mr. Behrend: Wade I know you are careful because you got 5 guys up here that can direct you to do anything.

Mr. Brown: I think the sentiment of the Board as the Commissioners stand right now is...

Mr. Behrend: I should say 4 guys and a lady.

Mr. Brown: Handle it conservatively.

Mr. McIntyre: Let me just ask a question, we are not going to make the decision whether we touch the overage or not, we just need to come up with a recommendation to the Commissioners that says here is our priority, you guys want to use the overage...

Mr. Yost: That is exactly right.

Mr. Behrend: The only way to fund this priority as it is right now is to take \$150,000.00 from the overage, that would have to be part of the recommendation.

Mr. Yost: West Willard Road would probably take a little while just because of some of the personalities of the people that own the properties.

Mr. Carmack: So who is first Fisher or Tom Fox?

Mr. McKenney: I don't know.

Mr. Behrend: Politically I think priority one is going to be Fisher. Talking to the folks in town, reading papers, listening to this Board and folks I think politically that is going to be your answer, whether it should be or not politically that is going to be your answer.

Mr. Pike: Fisher is one.

Mr. McKenney: Fisher is one, what is two?

Mr. Pike: Tom Fox.

Mr. Behrend: Yea.

Mr. McKenney: Ok Tom Fox.

Mr. Behrend: Because that hits our criteria of taking care of the kids. And Jerry will scream and yell because he doesn't want to pay for it twice, well it should have been paid for once, do it right.

Mr. McKenney: It is what it is, and then West Willard Road is three?

Mr. Carmack: Yes.

Mr. McKenney: And then Parcel 845 that is being taken care of when the Skatepark...

Mr. Yost: The Commissioners may say they want to use the money they pull out of the overage for that Parcel which I can see happening depending on how much infrastructure they want to put in, so we will have to see how that plays out but make a list of priorities.

Mr. McKenney: Well you know I understand and I think you got to look at use...

Mr. McIntyre: You have also got to look at Elizabeth's Delight down there we got a bunch of people that could...

Mr. McKenney: But there is a sidewalk on that side now isn't there.

Mr. Behrend: Extended sidewalk on that side.

Mr. Pike: Yea but there is going to be no sidewalk to that playground.

Mr. McKenney: What playground?

Mr. Behrend: At that point when he comes in with the development we will put that in.

Mr. McKenney: All right so those are our three, do you want to do 4 and 5 do you want to rank those, do you want to throw them in.

Mr. Behrend: Lets rank it through.

Mr. McKenney: All right so what is 4 and 5?

Mr. Pike: Elgin.

Mr. McKenney: 4 is Elgin, anybody object?

Mr. McIntyre: Versus what parcel 845?

Mr. McKenney: Yea.

Mr. Behrend: I think 845 should be the last one. The foot traffic on that side, there should be no foot traffic on that side, all the population is the other side, I mean other than folks walking up from what is the name of the road there I am blanking by the Post Office, Norris, other than people walking up Norris and there is no sidewalk on either side of Norris.

Mr. McKenney: Ok so be careful how you craft the motion since I can't craft it.

Mr. McIntyre: Sure you can you just have to entertain a motion, teach you all those little tricks.

Mr. McKenney: I know I am just trying to...

Mr. Brown: It should probably be in the neighborhood of making a recommendation to the Commissioners that we fully fund the following sidewalk projects as outlined in the Huron Consulting memo.

Mr. Yost: As far as the money will go or money they want to...

Mr. Behrend: Well the recommendation would be that the opinion of the Parks Board the priority order for building sidewalks in this fiscal year would be Fisher Avenue as proposed in this from Wootton to Tom Fox, Tom Fox from Hoskinson to essentially the middle school because there is that small section there we need to think about, as the number two project. West Willard Road from Fisher to Wootton that is the number 3 project, Elgin Road from the Methodist Church to Brightwell or where Brightwell would be that is number 4, and Wootton Avenue Parcel 845 section as the last priority. Further recommendation is to attempt to fund it all in one year, have the Commissioners find the appropriate funds if available.

Mr. McKenney: We had briefly with respect to Tom Fox spoken about the section in front of the park by Halmos 3, some of it, the higher end is good as you get down toward Hoskinson it gets just as bad as your side, do we want to do anything about that?

Mr. Behrend: Depending on the costs I would recommend that we take a look at that at the time we do Tom Fox, if Tom Fox is moving forward.

Mr. Yost: I would definitely think so too we talked a little bit...

Mr. Carmack: Leave it out of the resolution though there is no point in putting it...

Mr. Behrend: No, no point in putting it in there.

Mr. Pike: What is the cost for everything?

Mr. McKenney: For Fisher, Tom Fox, and West Willard I came up with like \$602,000.00 with adding some stuff but we added a little bit more if we are getting down to here and there and we ended up with \$620,000.00 is what our ballpark was. It did not include Elgin and did not include 845.

Mr. Yost: And these are rough ballpark numbers.

Mr. Behrend: Recommending that the top 3 be the ones that are pursued in this fiscal year, with number 4 and 5 if possible, but not recommended for this fiscal year.

Mr. Pike: Top 3 were?

Mr. Behrend: Top three were Fisher, Tom Fox, and West Willard.

Mr. Carmack: Ok so who is going to draft it?

Mr. McKenney: You just made a recommendation, who is going to second it.

Mr. Carmack: That was it. I will second.

Mr. McIntyre: It has been moved and seconded any discussion?

Mr. McIntyre: Do we not need to repeat it?

Mr. McKenney: No fortunately, thanks Cathy keep typing.

Mr. Behrend: Just a clarification that while Jim has an excellent or perhaps an excellent idea of how to find the funds it is up to the Commissioners to figure it out, we are not going to make a recommendation on how they find the funds.

Mr. McKenney: Right exactly.

Mr. Behrend: Not our job.

Mr. McKenney: Right.

Mr. Brown: We will find them.

Mr. McKenney: So unless there is any further discussion we need a vote, all in favor signify by saying aye.

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions, motion carries. Park Rules and Regulations we will skip until the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Mr. McKenney: Parcel 840 basically next Monday but we rejiggered the way things look and we got a new layout and I think it is inline with what we talked about last week wasn't it.

Mr. Yost: We meet on Monday.

Mr. McKenney: No but I mean we spoke at a Parks Board meeting about the changes that we had made and even a draft I think and I think everybody knew right ok so we don't need to talk about it. I think I emailed the revised drawing.

Mr. Behrend: No you haven't.

Mr. McKenney: Ok so I am getting my committees mixed up. Basically what we did is the building is going to be over here, parking lot in front, this is going to be green space, building the parking lot green space, green space, Skatepark and Tot Lot park something like that right. But I thought we had kind of mapped that out at the last meeting too. But other than that nothing has changed so no citizen form, motion to adjourn?

Adjournment

Mr. Behrend: So moved.

Mr. Brown: Second.

Mr. McKenney: Moved and seconded all in favor?

All: Aye.

Mr. McKenney: Opposed, abstentions, motion carries.