

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 16, 2006

The Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Township of Upper St. Clair, duly advertised and posted in accordance with law, was called to order at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, May 16, 2006, in the Board of Commissioners' Meeting Room, Township Municipal Building, 1820 McLaughlin Run Road, Upper St. Clair, PA 15241.

PRESENT: Commissioner Mertz President
 Commissioner Bates Vice President
 Commissioner Marsh
 Commissioner Brown
 Commissioner McElhinny
 Commissioner Orchowski via Telephone

 Douglas A. Watkins Township Manager
 Mark S. Mansfield Senior Assistant Township Manager
 Matthew R. Serakowski Assistant Township Manager

EXCUSED: Commissioner Shimer

PUBLIC: Approximately 4 people

Commissioner Mertz recapped the interview process which was undertaken by the Board of Commissioners and Staff to determine the best potential architectural team to provide pre-schematic design services for the proposed Community Recreation Center at Boyce Mayview Park.

Following the discussion of the various attributes provided under the proposals of WTW/Larsen and RSSC/EPM and which firm would best enable this project to move forward, the following motion was made and acted upon:

MOTION AND VOTE TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH WTW/LARSEN TO PERFORM PRE-SCHEMATIC DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE TOWNSHIP'S PROPOSED COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER SUBJECT TO THREE (3) QUALIFIERS:

1. JIM LARSEN FULLY PARTICIPATES IN THE DESIGN PHASE AND ACTS AS LEAD ARCHITECT IN PUBLIC FORUMS, AT LEAST THROUGH THE ANTICIPATED REFERENDUM VOTE. (UNDER THIS CONTRACT AND/OR A RELATED SUBSEQUENT CONTRACT).
2. WTW/LARSEN ENGAGES IN DISCUSSION WITH EPM (MARK EDELMAN) TO DETERMINE THE SUITABILITY/VIABILITY/WISDOM OF ADDING EPM TO THE ARCHITECTURAL TEAM IN SOME CAPACITY.

3. TO AVOID ANY PERCEPTION AS TO CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THAT DOUG SHUCK RESIGN FROM THE UPPER ST. CLAIR PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE REEC BOARD.

Commissioner McElhinny moved to authorize the execution of a contract with WTW/Larsen to perform pre-schematic design services for the Township's proposed Community Recreation Center subject to three (3) qualifiers:

1. Jim Larsen fully participates in the design phase and acts as lead architect in public forums, at least through the anticipated referendum vote. (Under this contract and/or a related subsequent contract).
2. WTW/Larsen engages in discussion with EPM (Mark Edelman) to determine the suitability/viability/wisdom of adding EPM to the architectural team in some capacity.
3. To avoid any perception as to conflict of interest, that Doug Shuck resigns from the Upper St. Clair Planning Commission and the REEC Board.

This was seconded by Commissioner Bates. The motion carried with a 4-2 roll call vote. Commissioners Marsh and Orchowski cast the negative votes, preferring stronger language directing WTW/Larsen to add EPM to their architectural team.

ADJOURNMENT

Following a motion for adjournment by Commissioner Bates and a second by Commissioner McElhinny, which carried with a 6-0 voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:55 PM.

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Administrative Assistant
May 17, 2006