Town of Andover - Long Term Planning Committee

Town Hall Community Room Monday, December 3rd at 6pm

MEETING MINUTES:

1. Call to Order: Eric Anderson called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M.

2. **Roll Call:** Present: Wendy Kopp, Eric Anderson, Amanda Gibson, Ken Marcia, Cathleen Desrosiers Not present: Elaine Buchardt and Ed Sarisley

Public Participation: Superintendent Sally Doyan, Cathy Palozzi and Meghan Archibald

3. Old Business

a. Discuss / approve minutes from last meeting

4. New Business

- A. Focus Group with the Youth of Andover: Jake Archibald & Brody Kopp (7th Grade students from RHAM) were asked numerous questions about their lifestyle in Andover and thoughts on a potential new Community Center and what benefits could it bring. Here are some takeaways:
 - a. Community Center:
 - i. They would love a pool at the community center, as not everyone has an ALPOA membership.
 - ii. They mentioned it would be nice to have a room to do homework with internet
 - iii. A Recreational room with Ping Pong, Fooseball and beanbag chairs
 - iv. Include a Basketball court with on-going pick-up games and open court, league and tournament opportunities
 - v. Location perhaps near Benjamin Franklin Plumbing or near the adjacent Scotts Tree Farm area so accessible from the Rail Trail
 - b. Trail
 - i. They use the Percy Cook trails all the time from behind the school linking to the Hop River Trail from Lake Road to Wales Road. Would love more connectable trails
 - c. Summer Camp
 - i. Great idea if it could offer basketball activities and fishing tournaments
- B. Public Participation left meeting after Focus Group.
- C. Committee discussed the interim Community Center at Andover Elementary School be one of their designated projects for rest of term. Eric will present to BOS for LTPC to head the curriculum implementation and RFP finalization in the search for desired architects to handle build out to accommodate all groups who will be using this space.

5. Public Participation

a. Focus Group

6. Meeting Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn Wendy Kopp at 8pm, Seconded by Amanda Gibson, Motion passed/Unanimous
- b. Submitted by Amanda daCunha, LTPC Secretary