



## Town of Reading Meeting Minutes

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**Board - Committee - Commission - Council:**

Reading Center For Active Living Committee

Date: 2022-11-09

Time: 7 PM

Building:

Location: Zoom

Address:

Session:

Purpose: ReCalc Meeting

Version: Final

Attendees: **Members - Present:**

John O'Neill, Ron Assini, John Parsons, Nora Bucko, Mark Dockser

**Members - Not Present:**

John Sasso, Michael Coltman

**Others Present:**

**Minutes Respectfully Submitted By:** Ron Assini

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### Topics of Discussion:

1. Attendance
2. Acceptance of the Minutes
3. Discussion on presentations at Select Board, Financial Forum and Walgreens Forum
4. Communications Update
5. Items/Assignments Needing Follow-Up
6. Next Meeting Date

Topic: RECALC Meeting

Time: Nov 9, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/5575731132?pwd=c3I3KzdBYmowNDB4aFM0dmdzRm5kQT09>

Meeting ID: 557 573 1132

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### Agenda #2

#### Acceptance of the Minutes from October 10, 2022

John O'Neill, Ron Assini, John Parsons, Norra Bucko, Mark Dockser

### **Agenda #3**

#### **Discussion on presentations at Select Board, Financial Forum, and Walgreens Forum**

Mark Dockser:

The presentation by John Sasso and John O'Neill

Postpone Article 19 due to the need for more information on former Walgreens property at 17 Harden street

The Town issued a RFQ for a Project Manager and in the future RFQ for an Architect to help to gather more information about potential uses, layout, and cost estimate. \$25000.00 has been allocated for inspection and appraisal for 17 Harden street.

Select Board could call for a special Town Meeting in February and have a ballot question added to the regular April vote date.

There is not going to be a perfect location with parking. Need to focus on transportation versus just parking.

There is an unsolicited proposal to sell the existing PSC but keep the parking space.

RCTV is currently leasing space and may be looking for a space and PSC may be a good solution.

Special funding to support a new Center, did not included in the State bill.

Not easy to get a debt exclusion passed. It's been difficult in the past.

New Killam School and new Community Center are both needed for the community. It's not an either-or situation.

### **Agenda #4**

#### **Communications Update**

Mark Dockser.

One of things we need to continue to communicate the recommendations coming out of ReCalc. We have the current newsletter, but we need more.

What other mediums could be used to continue with getting the word out?

### **Agenda #5**

#### **Items/Assignments Needing Follow-Up**

December 6, 2022 we will have UMASS survey and there will be a joint presentation by ReCalc, COA and UMASS to the Select Board.

Review the preliminary data from UMASS readout in advance.

### **Agenda #6**

#### **Next Meeting Date**

Target November 30<sup>th</sup> with potential to review the UMASS full readout. Potential joint meeting with COA.

Motion to adjourn – Ron Assini, Mark Dockser

Meeting called to close: John O'Neill, Ron Assini, John Parsons, Nora Bucko, Mark Dockser