

Coolidge School Working Group
Meeting Minutes, 4 pm Wednesday, March 20, 2019
Finance Meeting Room, Town Hall, Maynard, MA

Committee Members Present:

Linde Ghere – chair

Vicki Brown Stevens

Aaron Miklosko

Donna Dodson

Sarah Donnelly

Also Present:

Linda Thayer

Ellen Duggan

I. Telephone Conference with Town-Contracted Engineers – We talked with Wayne Amico, the town-contracted engineer, and Kathy Lynch, a landscape architect who works with Wayne, about how a Coolidge building full of residents can happily coexist with a public playground and sledding hill within 20 feet of its backside. Mostly we informed them of our concerns for preserving as much of the grounds as possible for public access, including details about the site. Kathy will meet with us Tuesday, March 26, at 5 p.m. on the property to study the issues. We hope she can offer a creative solution to the problem that can be shown in a sketch that we can show at our public meetings.

II. Minutes – We approved the March 6 meeting minutes.

III. Public Meetings – We will have three in the library’s Roosevelt Room:

Thursday, April 11, 3:30-4:30 pm

Saturday, April 27, 1:30-2:30 pm

Tuesday, May 14, 7-8 pm

- **Getting the Word Out** – Aaron produced an abutters map highlighting all residents within a couple of streets to the Coolidge. We added to his map and will use it to mail out the flyer that Vicki is working to complete. We also made a list of places to post the flyer as well as social media, newspapers, and websites where we can submit meeting notices.
- **Town Meeting Update?** – After some discussion, we decided we’ll host a table outside the May 20 Town Meeting that can show our progress and where we can talk to people. We’d like to have a FAQ page by then.
- **Format for Meetings** – We went over the Facilitator’s Agenda that Linde produced and decided she hit the mark for sketching out the meetings. We can alter time slots as we go. We want to have a one-page handout for the meetings that will list our recommendations and links to websites for more information.

IV. Next Meetings – Our next meeting is at 5 p.m., Tuesday, March 26 at the Coolidge School. Upcoming meetings at 4 p.m. in Town Hall are April 3, April 10, and April 24.

V. Adjournment – About 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Vicki Brown Stevens