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Building Committee Minutes 03-11-2003

**TOWN OF ARLINGTON
 MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 PERMANENT TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE
 TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2003**

PRESENT: John Cole, Chairman Kathleen Donovan
 William Shea, Vice Chairman Nancy Galkowski
 Teresa DeBenedictus Robert Juusola
ABSENT: Thomas Caccavaro Charles Stretton
PARTICIPANTS: Joseph Drown, Design Partnership of Cambridge Inc.
 Michael McCabe, Principal – Thompson School
 Alan Brown, Principal – Stratton School
CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 p.m.

THOMPSON SCHOOL – DESIGN REVIEW – DPC

- Mr. Drown met with Michael McCabe and Kathleen Donovan earlier today to review the design options for the Thompson and to go through the pros and cons of the L-shaped and T-shaped designs and the various configurations on the site. There was a preference for proposed site plan B1 (T-shaped). Mr. McCabe commented on the advantages of this scheme (layout, traffic flow, good use of site, classrooms situated more closely together, good community access).
- Mr. Juusola and Mr. Shea had some concerns about this particular plan and how the proposed building would fit into the surrounding neighborhood. The architect will work on making some revisions to the plan to minimize the impact to the areas mentioned and will return to the committee on March 18th.
 On a **MOTION** by Ms. Donovan and seconded, it was VOTED to **accept the T-shaped scheme (Proposed Site Plan B1)**. VOTE: 5-1-0 (Mr. Shea - opposed)
- The contract between the town and DPC has been resolved.
 On a **MOTION** by Mr. Juusola and seconded, it was VOTED to **accept the contract agreement dated January 22, 2003, between the town and Design Partnership of Cambridge Inc. as approved by the town's attorneys**. VOTE: Unanimous

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a **MOTION** by Mr. Shea and seconded, it was VOTED to **enter into Executive Session to discuss legal matters pertaining to the Hardy School and come out of Executive Session to reconvene in regular session**. ROLL CALL VOTE: Unanimous (Ms. Donovan not present for vote.) See page 2.

REGULAR SESSION – Cont'd.

FINAL DISCUSSION

- The following motion was made after some discussion by the committee to contractually require acoustical compliance and noise evaluations in future school building projects.

On a **MOTION** by Mr. Shea and seconded by Ms. Galkowski, it was VOTED to **instruct DRA (Dallin project) and Design Partnership of Cambridge Inc. (Thompson & Stratton projects) that noise levels in key areas of the buildings must not exceed NC33.** VOTE: Unanimous (Ms. Donovan not present for vote.)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Carroll