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Name of Committee: Override Study Committee – Capital SubCommittee

Meeting Date: May 7, 2014 Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Town Hall, Room 408

Members Present:

X	Carol Levin	X	Lisa Serafin Sheehan
X	Sergio Modigliani	X	Timothy Sullivan (phone arrived in person at 5:45)

Topic: Discussion of the committee's most critical messages and recommendations for inclusion in the Executive Summary to be circulated to the full OSC.

The draft of the Executive Summary was distributed prior to the meeting.

Carol raised the issue of the lack of a town-wide facility plan. The discussion first focused on the difference between a capital plan and a facility plan. The Town's CIP is clearly a “capital” plan dealing with the allocation of financial resources. Sergio pointed out that an organization's facility master plan must flow from the organizations strategic plan. Carol voiced concern that the Town has not historically defined what its goals, values and intended services are, and then determined the “real assets” required to achieve those goals, etc. Rather the Town has focused on the maintenance and renovation of assets. Lisa felt this issue seemed to capture many of the concerns voiced in previous committee discussions. Lisa pointed out that a facility plan would also encompass open space, space for future development, and other town functions. Carol was concerned that BEEP lacks a long-term plan, and expressed reservations about the long-term viability of the leased space approach to BEEP.

The discussion then turned to BSPACE and the identification of a site for a 9th school. The committee has previously felt the BSPACE process was inadequate due to the constraint for classrooms to be on-line in 2017 and the lack of a professional development consultant. The question was briefly discussed of whether a consultant should be retained to look for a new site, absent a town wide facility plan.

Sergio then outlined a number of facts and questions he thought should be included in the committee's report.

The meeting adjourned.