Chairman Bill Drake called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

In attendance: Committee members Liz Eckert, Rich Ernye, Rick Loh, Brent Brower, Nancy Leamy, Bill Drake, Sue Snyder, Keith Orrico and Nick Macri.

Project management team members: Alan Monelli, Steve O’Hurley, Joe Siciliano

Public, Selectwomen, BET and RTM: Lauren Rabin (Selectwoman), Roz Nicastro, Lucy von Brachel, Patricia Crowle, David Wold, Don Sylvester, Nanette Burrows, Joe Kantorski, Tom Wells, Miriam Kreuzer (BET), Ken Borsuk, Janet Stone McGuigan (Selectwoman-elect)

1. Mr. Monelli showed a preliminary floor plan design and provided a brief description of some of the building features. Members of the Committee and members of the public asked questions and received answers, and a discussion ensued.

2. Ms. Snyder made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Brower: The Rink User Committee supports continued development of the preliminary design by SLAM Collaborative with the objective of presenting a non-binding pre-application to the Planning & Zoning Commission. The Committee voted 7 in favor, one opposed (Ms. Eckert) and one abstention (Mr. Macri). The motion passed.

3. Old business: consideration and vote on update to the FAQ: “Have alternative sites for the rink been considered?” Mr. Drake asked the Committee how to finalize the FAQ on the topic of the Western Middle School property. Ms. Eckert recommended that the modified
short FAQ on this topic be posted, with a link to the longer memo which was sent to the Committee on Oct. 13. This recommendation was unanimously approved.

4. Update from Chairman. Mr. Drake noted there was a great deal of support for the new rink at the Greenwich High boys’ hockey golf event and dinner on Oct. 25 at the Griff golf course. The Greenwich Old Timers Athletic Association will be made aware of the Rink project at their upcoming dinner on Nov. 18. The Old Timers support youth sports programs and award college scholarships. A poster about the Rink project will be posted at the Rink and sent to the Rink User Committee. Mr. Brower noted that the upcoming Rink Project was communicated to the Greenwich Skating Club’s 250 member families and the 3000 addresses on their email list. Mr. Drake mentioned the Greenwich Veterans Community Walk and Ceremony tomorrow Nov. 11, led by the Byram Veterans.

5. Public comments:
Ms. Crowle indicated that McKinney Terrace residents would be affected by the new Rink location.
Mr. Sylvester asked how this building is different from other Town buildings. He asked about bleachers for Strazza Field.
Mr. Wold made comments about the posted FAQs, and about the green area on the site.
Ms. Nicastro noted that the Rink location would affect Greenwich Place, where she lives.

6. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.