## ADVISORY COMMITTEE 11.13.24 MEETING SUMMARY

In Attendance: Pat Hintze, Chris Richards, Bill Fritzky, Josh Patchett, Tracey Clothier, Tenee Casaccio, Emily Gasperetti. Members of the public: Patchett, Lara Ryder.

- 1. Public Comments: None. Shared copies of the handout.
- 2. Emily provided handouts and made a PowerPoint presentation of the new Welcome Center. Four options for the building's placement and shape were presented.
  - <u>Option 1 Existing Orientation</u> is a rectangular building that follows the general footprint of the existing visitor center. Uses are generally in the same place as existing with the Community Space added to the east. Potentially the performance space could be added off and to the south of the Community Space.
  - <u>Option 2 Entrance Plaza</u> is an L-shaped building that extends out into the green space on the south side. The Welcome Center and Community Space are separate spaces with a covered porch located on the south side.
  - Option 3- Lakeside Porch is an L-shape building that extends out into the lawn area more than the other alternatives. It offers a direct connection between the Welcome Center and Community Space. The toilets face the east however they are not easily seen from the parking lot. One consideration is to use the porch as the pavilion since it is used for music only once a week during the summer. Consider moving the porch/pavilion to the space off the eastern end of the toilets. Toilets could be flipped with a cater/break room so that they are closer to the Welcome Center.
  - Option 4 Direct Connection is located outside and south of the current building footprint. This location is in the lawn area. It offers a few additional parking spaces at the north end. The relationship between the Welcome Center and Community Space is direct and a separation would be made with glass doors. The porch/pavilion should be moved to the lake side of the Community Center or even to the northern end adjacent to the toilets. This received the most positive response for the committee members.

# 3. Comments from the Committee:

- a. Consider the porch also serving as the bandstand.
- b. The building needs to be code compliant and accessible.
- c. Consider the turning radius for the neighbor using the shared road to the north when designing the building.
- d. Consider some spaces should be able to be closed off.
- e. Porch/Bandstand should be pushed to the north side or part of the L-shape on the south side.
- f. Create a beautiful entrance to the welcome center.
- g. Welcome Center does not need views. Community Space needs to view the lake.

- h. Bathrooms are key for visitors and should be easily found for those arriving by car and those at the beach.
- i. Option 4 is the best architecturally since it can provide 4 gables.
- j. Move Option 4 north and make porch larger.
- k. With the water table so high a basement would not be able to be accommodated on the site.
- I. Option 4 is Consider 2 alternatives for Option 4 with a pavilion to the south and to the east.

## 4. Public Comments: None.

### 5. Draft Schedule

Please make note that we changed things a bit to accommodate schedules.

## **Comp Plan/Welcome Center**

- <u>Wednesday, December 11 @ 10:30am</u>: Committee Meeting to review designs with JMZ Architects; Finalize Community Survey to go out to residents mid-December
- <u>Wednesday</u>, January 9 @ 10:30am: Committee Meeting to review design and cost estimate; plan public meeting
- <u>Wednesday, January 22@ 6pm:</u> Hold Public Workshop on Comprehensive Plan & new Hague Welcome Center
- <u>Tuesday, February 11 @ 6pm:</u> Town Board Presentation & Public Meeting on the new Hague Welcome Center