

Minutes from Symmes Advisory Committee - Medical Use Working Group  
October 16, 2001

Members Present:

Robert Carey, John Berkoben, Jerry Slate, Lynne Lowenstein, Allen Reedy

1. Bob Carey to meet with Health South
2. Committee addressed questions posed by Allen Reedy - Answers as follows:

The Selectmen have committed to “promoting expanded health care services on the site.” The goal of the medical use working group is to encourage responsible medical use of existing Symmes Property to best meet medical needs of community. Done by open process per SAC.

SAC Working Group consists of physicians/lay persons w/ interest and/or careers devoted to health care improvement. Group will get advice from subcommittees, Town Meeting, and other elected officials to identify groups who may have interest in site. Final decisions will rest w/ elec. officials and TM.

Group is now trying to ascertain intentions of Lahey and Health South. First step is to get P & S signed. Once signed, group will approach individuals/groups who may have interest - get as much info as possible to TM.

Second step will be vote of TM. If vote is positive, group to encourage health care providers to lease space. Group to work with real estate/health care facility experts selected by town govt. to establish best plans for meeting health needs of community.

3. Group discussed approaching the following entities to solicit advice on possible uses:
  - a. VNA
  - b. Armstrong Ambulance---Bill Armstrong 11/6/01
  - c. Public Health Dept.---Marie Walsh 11/6/01
  - d. School Nurses
  - e. Hospice
  - f. Medical Temps
  - g. Fitness First
4. Group adjourned - plan to meet again on 11/6/2001 - 7:00 p.m. place TBA

Respectfully submitted,

Lynne Lowenstein