

# Town of Plaistow Public Safety Complex Building Committee

27 Elm Street, Plaistow, NH 03865



#### PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, September 15, 2016 @ 8:00am

**PRESENT:** Martha Sumner, Chair; Dennis Heffernan, Vice Chair; Chief Kathleen Jones; Chief John McArdle; Sean Fitzgerald, Town Manager, John Sherman, Selectman; Mike Dorman, Building Inspector; Tammy Bergeron; Selectman, Nicholas Morel; Thomas Geary, Pat Schiavone, Detective; Paul Lucia, Facilities Manager

Also in attendance: Gino Baroni from Trident; Julian Kiszka; Selectman, Geoff Adams,

**EXCUSED:** Mike Kennedy; Firefighter; Kevin Coyle, Bill Query, Barbara Kiszka

**ABSENT:** Dan Poliquin

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: 8:12am** 

D. Heffernan motions to approve the minutes of 8/25/16 as amended by Chief McArdle. Second by M. Sumner.

Vote: many yes, 2 abstain (J. Sherman, T. Bergeron) 1 no (J. Kiszka) Motion passes.

#### **UPDATE OF PROJECT ACTIVITIES TO DATE:**

- G. Baroni states work started this week. Some trees are down; excavation of soil samples have been taken, the weekly team meeting was interesting this week. The project is moving along. We should have a final design soon.
- S. Fitzgerald recently spoke with Dave Mermelstein to inquire if any "unknowns" are now known since the trees have been cleared. There are none. We are moving expeditiously and it is exciting.
- G. Baroni states a neighbor's garden was moved. He is happy yet he would like a fence along his property line. This should not be a problem.
- M. Sumner mentions both chiefs along with D. Heffernan and herself have done some tentative planning for a ground breaking ceremony.
- B. Kiszka has helped by working with the Principal, Michelle Auger, of Pollard School.

The event will probably be scheduled over the next few weeks.

### **BUDGET REVIEW:**

Not much to discuss. Eckman's first monthly report will come out at the end of the month. There will be more information in October. G. Baroni states we will stay within budget.

### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:**

The Ribbon Cutting is the next event for community engagement.

## **COMMUNICATIONS:**

M. Sumner states one email was received from the Town website and was responded to.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

J. Kiszka states, "As I stated it was sold to the public in order to get their vote that all work and renovations to the safety complex would be covered within the warrant article costs. Else we wouldn't be talking about this today. Many more would have voted no but were sold on that some of the cost involved was for the current needed building renovations and not just for the new building."

He feels the public trust is in jeopardy, as some feared things would be added to the costs. Discussion ensues and most agree painting the apparatus bay is part of general maintenance and not part of the scope of the building project.

- S. Fitzgerald states he thinks it is unfair for anyone to get characterized as miss-representing the project.
- M. Sumner inquires about a propane contract.
- S. Fitzgerald states a contract will be signed this week. The term is for 1 year with a fixed rate of \$1.49.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

Soil is discussed. Samples were taken by a Geo-tech Engineer. The results should be back soon. Some of the soil will need to be removed and trucked off site but as much as possible will be used in other functions, for example filling of the frog pond and general fill. Discussion ensues.

Chief McArdle mentions there have been some calls regarding trees that have been cut. We need to remember the parking access will be modified and space is needed for the building. As many trees as possible will be saved. A landscaper has viewed some of the trees and the two maple trees will not survive removal and replanting.

- S. Fitzgerald mentions the Conservation Committee, Planning Board and Board of Selectmen were all aware of the process and approved it. Several public meeting were held. New trees can be planted along Main Street.
- G. Baroni states Trident will donate two maple trees.

Chief Jones and Chief McArdle have a few pictures of color schemes. They will get input from their employees and bring samples of both colors and styles to the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 29<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am at the Public Safety Complex. It will include a site walk. Appropriate attire is required.

M. Sumner adjourns the meeting at 8:55am.

Respectfully submitted, Beth Hossack Recording Secretary