

DATE: January 11, 2022  
TIME: 9:27 AM

DPW/Police Building Committee Meeting Minutes (Draft)

Monday, 9-24-18; Belmont Town Hall, Conference Room 1

Attendees: Anne Marie Mahoney, Anthony Ferrante, Stephen Rosales, Judith Ananian Sarno, Bill Shea, Mike Smith, Tom Gatzunis, Chief McLaughlin, Asst. Chief Jamie MacIsaac; Stephen Dorrance; Michael Santoro, Jay Marcotte; Roy Epstein arrived at 7:30 as expected.

Member and Secretary Fitzie Cowing absent as expected.

Chair Anne Marie Mahoney called meeting to order at 7:15pm. as posted.

Committee took vote on Invoice for \$34,500 for Ted Galante from Sept. 16. Committee unanimously approved. Signed by 2 members of Permanent Bldg Committee: Bill Shea and Mike Smith, Judith Ananian Sarno is arranging for Pat Brush to sign within next day and submit to Glen Castro for processing.

Discussion began on follow up to issues around possible changes for potential cost reductions at DPW. Steve Dorrance began presentation to Committee on suggestions for changes and modifications that he had reviewed and discussed hours before with Jay Marcotte and Mike Santoro. He began raising plumbing issue around Cast Iron Man Hole Covers including inside office manhole. Committee then discussed implications and options.

Discussion around revised plan included eliminating the Pass Through wall- to the new space: eliminate the 2 front offices and eliminate one public bathroom. Change location and size of break room.

Discussion continued around new location of office; cost benefit of less demolition; discussion continued relative to cost reduction and practical advantages of revised plan including more room for trucks to pass,

Judith asked if the elimination of the pass through which in previous plan housed the HVAC would affect the noise transmission including noise potentially bouncing off hill in back and asked if baffles should be added. She reminded committee that the Wellington School neighborhood is still dealing with roof top

mechanical noise after 7 years. Tom said the HVAC would be installed on roof- but is much smaller than the Wellington school unit. He was confident that there would be no issue with these units.

Continued discussion of the revised plan - including OSHA requirements and Mass Plumbing codes.

Tom stated that he agreed with Ted's cost analysis numbers for the DPW as previously presented. Jay and Mike said they were ok with the revisions.

Roy asked if we had cost-out for this new plan. Answer is not yet.

The next step was the suggestion that Mike Smith, Steve Dorrance, Jay Marcotte and Mike Santoro and Tom have a meeting with Ted to review these revisions.

The timetable needs to be reviewed. As Chair Mahoney cautioned- "it is better to be right than fast".

Tom proposed options to discuss with Ted including: stick built vs modular; size of modular units given transit options/ limitation; ramp options; impact on operations.

The Discussion moved to Police Station Bid vs Potential Add alternates.

Chief McLaughlin strongly reminded committee that unlike DPW which is considered a 10 year fix- the Police Station is for a Permanent solution. He voiced concerns about some items on the draft for Add On potential / Add alternates that he considered should be included as part of the permanent solution and not Add Alternates.

The Committee then spent time reviewing each Add Alternative in detail for cost and options: For example: Stone Wall/ Parking/ finishes/ redo perimeter; .etc.

Asst. Chief MacIsaac reminded Committee that the State Dept. of Public Health signs off on Plans before constructions can begin.

Ara Yogurtian reminded committee that they need to submit 3 applications for special permits to ZBA : FAR; Height; and number of Stories. Those applications should begin to get on ZBA schedule.

One member mentioned that Garden Club would like to be involved.

Anne Marie, Steve Rosales will follow up.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30pm.

~ Judith Ananian Sarno