

POLICE BUILDING COMMITTEE

APRIL 2, 2024

Minutes

Steve Dalessio called the meeting to order at approximately 6:30 pm. Present were Rod Bouchard, Jay Punt, David Adams, Chief Justin Sanctuary, Andrew Dey, and Peggy Pschirrer.

On Zoom were Michael Petrovick, Emily Heaton, and Cheri Watson. Trevor MacLachlan was absent.

Jay Punt moved to approve the minutes of March 19, 2024; the motion was seconded by Rod Bouchard and passed.

The Committee discussed the land we are buying. It is being surveyed by the current owner who will send us a purchase and sale agreement.

Mr. Petrovick posted the new building design, reflecting the changes we had asked for on March 19. He explained he had done a code analysis for the building which is reflected in the new design. The corridor is six feet wide.

The number of Sally ports has been reduced to two but must be extended because they are too short. The current design must add another shower; one is not enough.

The new building must have space for all the mechanicals such as electrical panels, a sprinkler system etc. The building must also have a generator, and an air exchange system. The roof will be gabled so that all the mechanicals may be above the station. A stairway access will be needed.

Mr. Dey asked if we are not describing 7,000 square feet.

Mr. Petrovick asked if we can get what we need into a 6000 square foot building. Maybe we need to look at both 6,000 and 7,000 square feet. Mr. Bouchard stated we must allow for expansion. Chief Sanctuary said we will need space for a Prosecutor and possibly Dispatch in the future.

Mr. Petrovick indicated 1,000 square feet will be needed for mechanicals. We must have discussions about FFE and future maintenance costs.

Ms. Pschirrer said we must begin to look for grant money and begin applying for it.

Mr. Petrovick ask that we look at size again, try to reduce what we need – but not get too crazy. The Police Station needs 30% of the surrounding space to be green, have adequate parking.

Mr. Petrovick wants the building to be more than a big box; he wants to reflect New England Architecture. It must be useful but attractive.

Mr. Bouchard asked if we could have a rendering of the exterior with the roof lines, assuming mechanicals are under the roof.

Ms. Watson asked about the size of the Training room. Should it be at least large enough for thirty people? Currently it appears to be large enough for 47 people. Will it be available for community groups? Mr. Bouchard indicated the training room needed a separate entrance with no access to the station.

The next meeting will be held April 15, 2024, at 6:30 in the Selectboard Office. Ms. Heaton will represent Petrovick Architects.