Williamsburg Public Safety Complex Committee

May 10, 2017

Called to order at 6:35 PM by Chairman, Bill Sayre. Present: Bill Sayre, Dick Kisloski, Jason Connell, Denise Wickland, Mike Wayne, Louis Hasbrouk, and Denise Banister. Absent: Daryl Springman, Dan Banister, and Don Lawton. There were no adjustments to the agenda. The minutes of April 12, 2017, meeting were approved unanimously as amended (Jason Connell moved, Denise Wickland seconded); the minutes of March 20, 2017 were approved unanimously as written (Jason Connell moved, Dick Kisloski seconded).

Discussion re: because we are short one member it is sometime difficult to get a quorum. Discussed looking for another member, changing the date of the meetings, the start time of the meeting. Bill is to send an email around to poll the members’ feelings. All members present were willing to be reappointed.

Potential sites were again discussed. After Don Lawton and Bill Sayre talked to Lance Lashway, it is confirmed that both the 29 Main Street site and the 45 Main Street site are available for purchase. According to Tighe and Bond and Bill Turner, it would cost around $200,000 to extend the water line from South Street to the Main Street sites. That price does not include the reconstruction of Route 9 where it would be torn up to install the water line. The cost for a water storage system if the water main was not extended would be approximately $150,000. Dick Kisloski voiced his reluctance to purchase property, as we are trying to keep the price of the project below $3.2 million. If we were to buy property and then need to add a water storage system, it would potentially increase the cost by $450,000. Denise Wickland feels that the drawings done by Nick Dines are a good answer to the question of did we look at other possible sites. All agreed that the budget should be set at $3.5 million: $3.2 million for the building and $300,000 for design. Scot Downie from Associated Builders said that a pre-fabricated building as we had discussed would not work because of state regulations.

Bill, Nick Dines, and Charlene Nardi will be meeting with Greg Smolley of DRA on May 15. Bill asked if we should go to the architect with only one site – or 2 sites – or variations A & B on one site. Re: the Mill River Greenway – what are they proposing for the James School lot? Can the Greenway go around to the back of the building and out onto South Street? The objective decided on is to build a fully functional building as economically as possible – maximize efficiency of layout on the James School lot and maximize usefulness to the entire town. Bill is to report the results at our next meeting. Bill will also speak with Lance Lashway to get a general idea of the asking price for the two Lashway properties to us for the budget. Then we need to decide if we want to go to town-wide forums with two options: using town-owned land or buying a lot.

Regarding the use of the James building: 30% of full and fair cash value of the building over three years triggers ADA compliance. All public entrances must be accessible and there must be an accessible toilet. To use the James Building, the whole building must be sprinklered and the envelope has to be fixed.

Next regular meeting is set for Wednesday, June 14, 2017, at 6:30 PM. Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
Denise L Banister