

Williamsburg Public Safety Complex Committee

April 13, 2016

Called to order at 6:30 PM by Chair Bill Sayre. Members present: Bill Sayre, Dick Kisloski, Louis Hasbrouk, Dan Banister, Jason Connell, Don Lawton, Daryl Springman, and Denise Banister. Absent: Peter Mahieu, Denise Wickland, and Mike Wayne.

Dick Kisloski moved and Louis Hasbrouk seconded to approve the minutes of March 9, 2016, meeting as amended. Motion passed with one abstention (JC).

Regarding the possibility of a deed restriction on the Helen E. James School: Eric Weber researched the matter, and concluded that no restriction exists on the building.

The Chair then asked the committee members present to voice their concerns and frustrations. The biggest source of discouragement is that the process seems stalled on the site selection process. There is a general consensus of the committee members that the building should be located on the James School site as there is no other apparent suitable site, and then the topic keeps being brought up at the meetings. We discussed whether a non-binding vote could be made at Town Meeting. Don Lawton moved and Dick Kisloski seconded the motion to present a proposal to use the James School site for the Public Safety Complex, and to hold a sense of meeting vote on the proposal. The motion passed unanimously. Bill will check on whether it is possible to hold such a vote. The committee will craft the presentation for Town Meeting at the May meeting. Louis Hasbrouck reported that his contact at FEMA is willing to help, and to speak about restrictions to building in the 100 year and 500 year flood plains. He also discussed materials from the American Society of Civil Engineers regarding construction in flood-prone areas; and a proposed addition to the Massachusetts State building code regarding building in flood zones, which is anticipated to be adopted in August, 2016.

Materials from the Town of Heath's Highway and Public Safety Complex were presented and discussed. This is a proposal for a pre-engineered metal building. Dick Kisloski is to call the Town of Heath to determine the current status of these plans.

Bill presented a list of comments and concerns coming from small group presentations that have been held this far. Bill will write down answers to these and we will discuss and finalize at our May meeting.

The Small Group meeting schedule was discussed, and committee members volunteered to staff some of these meetings. A post card design to send to business owners was discussed and approved. Louis Hasbrouck moved and Denise Banister seconded to authorize Bill Sayre to spend approximately \$150.00 of the committee's funds to print and mail the postcards. Motion passed unanimously.

The committee discussed and edited the FAQ sheet, the Cost Summary sheet, and the Site Location Pros and Cons sheet. In the interest of making our materials more accessible, it was suggested to request that the Town Clerk set up a link on the front page of the burgy.org website to link to all the Public Safety Complex materials.

At 8:15 Dan Banister moved and Jason Connell seconded to adjourn. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise L. Banister