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New Fire-Rescue Station Feasibility Study Committee

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Minutes Approved 5/12/2022 5-0-0

April 14, 2022 Committee Meeting Minutes

The 3rd meeting of the New Fire/Rescue Feasibility Study Committee was called to order at 4:00PM in the Nauset Room at Town Hall.

Committee Members Present

- Tom Finan- Chair, Scott Zenke-Clerk
- Members: Peter Coneen, Ken Heritage, Al Nickerson, Mark Ziomek (ZOOM), Fire-Rescue Chief Geof Deering, Ron Collins-Building & Facilities Manager
- Also Attending; Michael Herman Select Board Liaison, Gail Briere-Orleans School Committee Chair, Sasandra Richardson Roche-Orleans School Committee.

Public Comment

- None

General

- Approve Minutes of the 3/17/2022 - approved 5/0
- Charge Update- Tom Finan read the Select Board charge update "To not include land owned by the Nauset Regional School District"
- 3/2/22 RFP for Private Property Sites, No response from RFP
- KBA, Not in Attendance, working out contract with Town.

Fire-Rescue Station Tours

- Committee Comments of the 3 Stations toured, Brewster, Chatham and Hyannis.
- All comments carried the same theme, they are as follows:
 - End product was cut at the expense of the project.
 - Get a good proposal and get the public on board.
 - ALL fire houses were maxed out on space as soon as they moved in, both storage and staff quarters.
- Need to plan and build for the future
- Chief Deering commented on bunk rooms 1 staff person per room is the way of the future, Gender Staffing, Covid and Privacy issues. The Chief also sent correspondence thanking the Chiefs of the Stations that were toured for their Staff time and Tour of the facility.
- Ron Collins recommended to Gail Brier-OES that her Committee tour the existing Orleans Fire-Rescue facility, She will discuss with OES Committee at next meeting and coordinate with Ron and Chief Deering.

Chief Deering

- Public Tours of the existing facility have been posted, Friday 4/22/22, 10-Noon and Tuesday 4/26/22, 6-8pm. More dates to be scheduled.
- Dept. Staff working on a video of the current facility showing existing problems and hazards.
- The Committee agreed that the Fire/Rescue Staff will be a major part of the design and build process providing input and ideas as the building is designed. "This will be their building and the role of the Committee will be as facilitators and cheerleaders to carry out the charge from the Select Bord".

Open Discussion from Committee

- Committee discussed the need to include a Fitness Room in the design of the building, no longer a luxury.
- Fitness of Staff, Mental Health and Strength Training are part of the job.
- It was agreed that equipment for the Fitness Room is absolutely necessary.
- Michael Herman noted that it has not been determined that the existing Fire Station will be demolished.

Questions

- Gail Briere-OSC asked if the OES property was the only property available?
 - Yes, it is the only property being considered.
- The 3 Town properties considered are not conducive to response times,
- Our architect, KBA's only task will be to assess the feasibility of building a new Fire-Rescue facility on the OES property which is under consideration.

Feasibility Study

- To be completed no later than August. I
- It was acknowledged that there is no Plan "B" for a second site.
- Tom Finan to Update the Select Board at their 4/20/22 meeting and FinCom 4/21.
- If OES site does not work The Committee will seek guidance from the Select Board.

Public Outreach

- Key documents are posted to the Town Website
- Agenda and Minutes are also posted to the Town Website

Future Agenda Items

- None

Schedule Of Upcoming Meetings

- Meetings will be on Thursdays in the Nauset Room at Town Hall. @ 4pm.
- 5/12, 6/16, 7/14, and 8/11 are scheduled.

Adjourn

- Motion to Adjourn- Heritage/Nickerson
- Meeting Adjourned @ 4:52 pm

Scott G. Zenke
Committee Clerk