

TOWN OF AVON
PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE
JUNE 10, 2014

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TOWN CLERK

In Attendance:

Tracy Self, Chairman
Elaine Dombrosky
Tim Flanigan
Jason Suzor
Alex Sinclair
Carl Fischer
Glenn Fernald

Absent:

Marie Drottar
Kevin Foster

The Avon Public Safety Building Committee met at Town Hall on Tuesday evening, June 10, 2014, at 7:00 p.m.

Tracy Self commenced the meeting and immediately turned it over to Alex Sinclair to recap what went on at the Board of Selectman meeting. These were the items that were discussed:

- ✓ Is the septic system large enough on the existing site and what type of a system would be needed?
- ✓ If there is a second floor you would need an elevator, thus it would be astronomical to put one in and maintain. The Committee cited there were three elevator companies in the town and that they should go out and get estimates from all three so they would know what they were looking at if they were to put in an elevator.
- ✓ Mike McCue said he would look into leasing or renting temporary space at the end of Ladge Drive and he would get back to Tracy and Elaine on this.
- ✓ Frank Hegarty said he would look into seeing if there were any grants from Homeland Security available.
- ✓ They talked about having two separate buildings for the Fire and Police with the Police going down to the Crowley School location. Tracy mentioned that having two buildings would certainly not be cheaper than maintaining one. The Committee then discussed Dispatch and how they do many other services for the town. For instance, where they are located now, it's easy for people to walk right in off the street for assistance. It was also

brought up how the Fire and Police Departments help one another out and how well they work together. For example, when the Police need help with a prisoner, someone from the Fire Department would come right over, and if they were separated, you wouldn't have this extra help.

The next item on the agenda was the Architect. The Committee discussed talking to him to see if he could give them an idea as to what it would cost to have one building for the Fire and Police versus having two buildings. The consensus of the Committee was that it was cost saving to have one building. Other Public Safety buildings were brought up and how they did not have elevators as their second floors were private.

Elaine Dombrosky suggested they put Jeff McElravy on Skype and have a meeting with him. They would like him to cost out a single building; then the cost of two buildings; and what the cost of an elevator would be. Also, could they do a one floor combo with both the Fire and Police so they would not have to put in an elevator? And, as previously discussed when Jeff was here, bringing the building down from 36,000 sq. ft. to 24,000 sq. ft. Tracy said she would be in touch with Jeff to see about setting up a meeting with him as they need to move forward.

The next item brought up was bonding. It was pointed out that the laws could be changing - right now it is 20 years and it could possibly increase to 30 years.

When there were no more items on the agenda, Tracy said she would be in touch with everyone with a date for their next meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.