

**TOWN OF AVON**  
**PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE**  
**AUGUST 11, 2015**

TOWN OF AVON  
2015 SEP 29 AM 8:30  
TOWN CLERK

**In Attendance:**

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

Frank Hagerty, Selectman  
Frank Crimmins, Town Administrator

**Absent:**

Kevin Foster  
Tim Flanigan

The Avon Public Safety Building Committee met at Town Hall on Tuesday evening, August 11, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Tracy Self. She asked everyone if they had their lists of 20 people who they had talked to regarding their support for the Public Safety Building. Tracy then showed the Committee the sign that was made for the election. It said, "Vote YES for Avon, September 15<sup>th</sup>." She said they were going to put 10 signs out the first week, and then 20 signs out the next week, etc., to keep people talking about it.

Some of the Committee members brought up discussions they had with other people who still want to have one building as opposed to having two. They mentioned to these people why it was better to have two buildings (financial, location, etc.).

Jason Suzor brought up comments that were on Facebook; one comment being the opposition of the Police Department being near residences. The existing Fire and Police Station was already near residences and it didn't appear to be an issue. Some other Committee members brought up other comments that they had read on Facebook.

The next item discussed was Chief Martineau's letter. The Committee mentioned parts of it and they thought he did a great job.

Next, Tracy brought up was the flyer that they need to put in the *MoneySaver*. She said the next dates for publication were August 26<sup>th</sup> and September 9<sup>th</sup>. She asked when did they think they should put it out and what should be on it. A discussion ensued.

The Committee brought up having an Open House Coffee Hour. They decided it should be held at the Police/Fire Station ... that way people could actually see the horrible conditions of the existing building. The date of Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. was agreed upon by everyone for the Open House.

Regarding the flyer, the Committee commented on what should be on the front of it for wording and then they decided to put the architectural renderings of the Police & Fire Stations on the back. It would be beneficial for the townspeople to see what they would look like. They thought a picture was worth a thousand words. Also, they should put the renderings in the Town Hall so people coming in could see them. They need to spread the word and get it out there to as many people as possible.

Frank Hagerty brought up the question of money and he thought the townspeople would want to know what was this going to cost them. Tracy said it would cost \$100/year or \$25/quarter. Everyone agreed that it was a reasonable cost to bring the town up to standards (finally).

The Committee next discussed the Industrial Park ... they thought they should put signs up there as well. Elaine Dombrosky mentioned the electronic signs that they've used before. Maybe they could use them again. Tracy asked the Committee if they knew of anyone who would be willing to put a sign on their property. What about the *Cracker Barrel*? Are they going to do anything? What about making phone calls to the townspeople to get the word out there? Also, it was mentioned that they should have a couple of checkers at the voting, as well as people to help out with signs and flyers. It was then asked how they could get people out there to register to vote if they weren't already registered. They would need people at 6:00 p.m. to make calls to those who hadn't voted yet. Elaine mentioned that maybe they should contact Paul Chute to get his support, as well as the volunteers who helped with the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration.

At this time Tracy passed around the voting list of those who had voted in the last election. She asked the Committee to check off the people they knew who were in favor of the new facility. She also mentioned that the last day to register to vote was August 26<sup>th</sup>.

As a recap, Tracy said they needed to:

- ✓ Do two flyers and put them in the *MoneySaver*
- ✓ Put signs on heavily trafficked streets
- ✓ Contact the *Cracker Barrel*
- ✓ Get volunteers to help with signs and for making calls on election day

When there were no more items to discuss, Tracy asked for a motion to adjourn. Carl Fischer made the motion and Glenn Fernald seconded that motion. It was voted on unanimously.

Tracy said the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.