TOWN OF AVON PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE JANUARY 21, 2015

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In Attendance:

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

Absent:

Marie Drottar Tim Flanigan Kevin Foster

The Avon Public Safety Building Committee met at Town Hall on Wednesday evening, January 21st, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by Tracy. The Committee immediately began discussing language for the Town Meeting warrant article. We will research language and forward the article to the Board of Selectman for review by Bond Council.

Next, the Committee turned their attention to PR for the project. Discussed were appearances on the "Cracker Barrel" program; sending informational flyers; having open houses and coffee hours. The Committee also discussed email blasts using the new town-wide system and possibly setting up a Facebook page.

Alex mentioned that Sharon's plans for a new station had just come out. There was also talk of Walpole's plans. He is going to contact them to talk about how they promoted their projects, as well as how they wrote their article and what contingencies were used.

Tasks for promoting the project were divided up. Carl & Jason will be in charge of updating the website. Tracy is sending emails to Tecton Architects regarding maintenance costs, and the Town Clerk about access to the email blast. Tracy will also contact Frank Crimmins and Deb Morin to run the numbers on \$11.3 million debt exclusion.

A draft copy of the information flyer will be sent around for comments and tweaking. The Committee will be keeping an email chain open to ask questions and research the ones that they think of or what they get from the townspeople. The purpose of this email chain is to gather information in preparation for the coffee hour or Open Forum.

The information flyer will go out in the *MoneySaver* on Wednesday, February 18, 2015. The first coffee hour will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, February 28th, at 9:00 a.m. An Open Forum will also be held on Thursday, March 12th, at 6:30 p.m. The purpose of these events is to get the word out to the townspeople about the project and answer questions before the Town Meeting vote.

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