

Police Station Building Feasibility Committee

Meeting minutes of April 9, 2015

Location: Brooks Rd. Wilbraham Public Library, Wilbraham, MA

In Attendance: Tom Sullivan, Roger Fontaine, Chief Roger Tucker, Ed Rigney, Patti Diotalevi, Paul Laplante.

Members absent: Kevin Moriarty, Roger Chapdelaine, Lance Trevallion, Chief Fran Nothe

Power point presentation to residents began at 7:00p.m. This presentation of approximately 55 slides of the current facility deficiencies, and the proposed project differences were explained.

Questions after the presentation included, land acquisition process, site selection of 2780 Boston Rd. Original cost estimate (9.4 million) vs. the reduced cost (7,960,194 million) estimate after the committee had an opportunity to review estimate costs, and implement cost containment cuts. The size of the building was reduced from 17,035 sq. ft. to 15,800 sq. ft. without affecting the program needs as determined by the committee.

Mr. Thomas Sullivan, Interim Town Administrator and Town Treasurer explained how the town plans to pay for the project. The funding breakdown with Free Cash, Capital Stabilization, with in Prop. 2 ½ and bonding of the debt exclusion amount. The property tax impact of a 15 year bond vs. a 20 year bond. The savings in interest would equal approx. \$800,000.

Also explained was the required 2/3 vote at Town Meeting on May 11, 2015 and the unanimous vote of the debt exclusion at the ballot box on May 16, 2015 are both required to move the project forward.

Announcement of future events made to include the following:

April 10, 2015 Coffee with a Cop-Jake's Restaurant-Boston Road 8 a.m.

April 11, 2015 Police Department Open House 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

April 28, 2015 Open Forum-The Gardens Community Room-Boston Road 7 p.m.

May 2, 2015 Police Department Open House 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Next meeting: Monday April 13, 2015 at Wilbraham Police Department- 3 p.m.
Presentation and question and answers concluded at 8:25p.m.
Minutes submitted by Chief Roger Tucker