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Police Building Committee February 23, 2022

1. Call to Order: Chairmen Victor Mitchell called the February 23, 2022, Police Building Committee Special Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. at Plymouth Town Hall, Assembly Room, 80 Main Street, Terryville, CT.

Roll Call: Present were: Chairman Victor Mitchell, Vice-Chairman Michael Audette, Committee Member Ann Marie Rheault, Fire Chief/Committee Member Mark Sekorski, Committee Member/Officer Christopher Latimer, Committee Member/Captain Ed Benecchi and Committee Member/Sergeant Cesar Beiros. Also present: Mayor Joseph Kilduff, Councilwoman Roxanne McCann, Councilman Nate Brown and Police Chief Karen Krasicky.

2. Fire Exit Notifications:

Chairman Victor Mitchell noted the fire exits.

3. Pledge of Allegiance:

Chairman Victor Mitchell led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes dated January 26, 2022

A motion was made by Committee Member/Officer Christopher Latimer, seconded by Fire Chief/Committee Member Mark Sekorski to approve the minutes of July 28, 2021. This motion was approved unanimously.

5. New Business:

a. Discussion with the Mayor

Mayor Kilduff presented a letter addressed to the Governor that will be from the Police Commission and Building Committee. The video will accompany the letter.

Mayor Kilduff stated that the Police Commission is in favor of the new police department.

Fire Chief/Committee Member Mark Sekorski suggested using some of the ARPA money to move forward with getting plans drawn up.

Chairman Mitchell will reach out to Brian Humes to get a cost on plans.

The design fees are approximately \$600,000.

Vice-Chairman Mike Audette submitted a letter from his friend in favor of the new police building See attached letter.

Chairman Mitchell will attend the police commission meeting on March 9th at 7:00 PM in the assembly room.

Mayor Kilduff thanked the committee for all of their hard work the past few years.

Committee Member Ann Marie Rheault stated she had a concern regarding the letter to the Governor as she feels the \$13,000,000 is too low.

Chairman Mitchell will attend the ARPA meeting which are held the first Monday of every month. (March 7th 5:30 assembly room).

Chief Krasicky will put the Police Building Committee on the Police Commission's agenda.

6. Public Comment:

Police Chief Krasicky stated the Police Commission meetings that she has attended have always been supported of this project.

7. Committee Member Comments:

Next meeting: March 23, 2022 @ 5:30 PM

8. Adjournment:

There being no further business of the Police Building Committee, a motion was made by Vice-Chairman Michael Audette, seconded by Fire Chief/Committee Mark Sekorski to adjourn. This motion was approved unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Schnaars

Recording Secretary

State Rep. Betts; Plymouth Mayor Kilduff To: Gov. Lamont: State Sen. Martin:

From: Brian J. Lussier

Re: The proposal for a new police station in Plymouth

Gentlemen,

I appreciate you taking the time to read my letter.

I want to start by telling you a joke I heard when I moved to the small town of Plymouth.

Q: "You know the difference between Plymouth and Mayberry?"

A: "Mayberry has a better police station."

It was a little funny back in 2005.

It is not the slightest bit funny now in 2022. Truthfully, it is just sad.

It is a matter of public safety that has been ignored too long.

Since 2005, we have managed to build a new high school and a new fire station.

The time for a new police station is now. Our citizens and our law enforcement team deserve better.

During the past few years, citizens from both parties were on the committee that developed a plan for a new police station.

My understanding is that their proposal will be reviewed for funding approval at the state level in the coming weeks.

Plymouth is a humble community and we would not ask for this if it were not necessary.

The citizens on the committee worked together to get it to this point.

Now it is up to all of you, our elected officials, to follow their example.

My concern is that a mix of pride and politics will get in the way. I'm not alone in that feeling,

If anything should get bipartisan support, it should be this.

Please don't miss this opportunity to do something of lasting good.

Please work together to make this much needed community resource a reality.

Sincerely,

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