

Town of East Haddam  
Firehouse Renovation Building Committee  
October 28, 2015  
Adopted November 18, 2015

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Meeting of the East Haddam Firehouse Renovation Building Committee was held on Wednesday, October 28, 2015, at 7:05 p.m. at the Company 2 Firehouse.

Meeting Attendance: Brian Auld, Edward Smith, Shawn Daigle, Dean Anderson, Bruce Dutch, Michael Davis, Kevin Cavallo, Jennifer Spencer and Ruth Ziobron-Recording Secretary.

Absent Member: Raymond Swol

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion by Mr. Smith to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Anderson and unanimously passed.**

**3. Approval of Minutes: Special Meeting of October 14, 2015**

**Motion by Mr. Smith to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of October, 14, 2015. Second by Mr. Cavallo and unanimously approved.**

**4. Audience of Citizens**

There was none.

**5. New Business**

**A. Discuss any information received from Kevin Matthew from KK Development Solutions.**

Mr. Smith reviewed notes from his meeting with Mr. Matthew. A free standing addition was suggested, similar to a new structure at Eddie Auto body. The addition would have 4 footings. A free standing addition would be built to code and there would be a separation with a wall including a door to get inside from the current building. The new addition would be category 4 rated and would not be attached to the old building. There was discussion about a double or 1 ½ bay addition; setback requirements may require the new addition to be the same width as the current building. Mr. Smith suggested that the full width may not be work, in order to drive around the building. Mr. Matthew has suggested adding 12-14 feet with 10x10 doors on each end, which would house smaller equipment.

Cutting on the bottom existing building would be cut up about 16 inches with J channels, concrete block and anchored for wind load.

KK Development estimate for a 34 x 60 bay with 14x14 overhead doors, with the addition of a pair of 10x10 doors is approximately \$140,000. Committee members would like a drive thru design. Mr. Matthew's review of architectural drawings of Company 2 Firehouse has determined that racking is not necessary.

Committee members recommended looking for another quote for the project. Mr. Dutch will contact Munger Construction. Committee members are getting rough estimates, to determine which projects will be included in the bid packages.

Mr. Auld will investigate Chesterfield Firehouse which is currently performing similar construction.

**B. Discuss information received from Architect George Fellner**

Mr. Cavallo reviewed town requirements. Estimates below \$7,500 do not have to go through the bid process. Estimates \$7,500 to \$17,000 require 2 bids. Estimates over \$17,000 must go through the full town bidding process.

Mr. Fellner is a local Architect and has been involved with past renovations to Company 1 Firehouse. Mr. Fellner is available to develop schematic drawings for the renovations. Mr. Fellner has recommended breaking the two firehouse projects into separate projects. This would need to be discussed with the Selectman's Office. Mr. Fellner's Architectural estimate for Company 1 Firehouse is approximately \$6,000 and Company 2 Firehouse is approximately \$15,000 - \$17,000. Company 2 Firehouse would require site engineering and planning.

Mr. Auld will contact the Selectman's Office to determine how bid packages would be written and the bidding process for this project.

**6. Public Comment**

There was none.

**7. General Discussion**

**A. Review of Handout material**

Meeting minutes were reviewed and approved previously.

**B. General Discussion**

The Finance Director will be contacted to determine if union or regular scale wage would be used.

Mr. Dutch commented using a metal building company may provide their own architect. Mr. Dutch recommended using Mr. Fellner for Company 1 Firehouse renovations and not Company 2 Firehouse as to not duplicate architectural services. Generally, metal building companies provide structural and site engineers as a part of their building package. Committee members will need to research services included with metal building companies.

Estimates to seal the floors will need to be researched.

Mr. Auld will provide information on the vehicle exhaust system at the next meeting.

The Town Building Inspector and Fire Marshal will be invited to the next meeting.

## **8. Adjournment**

**Motion by Mr. Smith at 7:42 p.m. to adjourn. Seconded by Mr. Daigle and unanimously passed.**

Respectfully submitted:

Shawn Daigle  
Secretary