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Adopted January 6, 2016

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Meeting of the East Haddam Firehouse Renovation Building Committee was held on Wednesday, December 16, 2015 at 7:05 p.m. at the Company 2 Firehouse.

Meeting Attendance: Brian Auld, Shawn Daigle, Jennifer Spencer, Dean Anderson, Bruce Dutch, Michael Davis, Kevin Cavallo (departed at 7:33), George Fellner, and Ruth Ziobron-Recording Secretary.

Absent Member: Edward Smith, and Raymond Swol

Ms. Spencer was seated for Mr. Smith.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion by Mr. Cavallo approve the agenda as presented. Second by Mr. Daigle and unanimously passed.**

**3. Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 2, 2015**

**Motion by Mr. Cavallo to approve the Special Meeting Minutes of December 2, 2015 as presented. Second by Mr. Daigle.**

**Favor: Daigle, Anderson, Dutch, Davis, Cavallo, Spencer**

**Oppose: None**

**Abstain: Auld**

**Motion Passed**

**4. New Business**

**A. Review any further information received from George Fellner.**

Mr. Fellner reviewed floor plan options for Company 1 Firehouse for bathroom renovations. He noted the electric room wall had many electrical panels and the mechanical room had pipes in the wall which would need to be removed (\$15,000-\$30,000 additional cost) if expanded in these areas. Mr. Fellner discouraged expansion into the electrical and mechanical rooms. Mr. Fellner proposed a single handicap men's restroom with a shower and sink, a single handicap women's restroom with a shower and a sink and a unisex restroom. Storage would be limited in the restrooms due to lack of space.

There was discussion about changing the door for the radio room so it would not be accessible from the firehouse vehicles, but it was noted this could be an issue with the step. This will need to be further investigated.

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Mr. Fellner will need the size of apparatus before he continues with plans. Mr. Fellner will present drawings for the kitchen, storage and lighting at the next meeting.

**B. Review any information received from prospective vendors, including but not limited to; architects, builders, and vehicle exhaust systems.**

Mr. Auld reviewed his meeting with a representative with Plymovent. They are working on providing a diagram estimate.

Mr. Dutch shared his findings with the oil separator. The oil separator is a tank that all the trench drains empty into. Mr. Dutch explained that when the tank fills up to a point, the water spills over into a dry well in the grass area between the road for Oak Grove and the end of the parking lot. The addition can't be built over the oil separator because it is not compliant. The oil separator will need to be abandoned. It will be necessary to build a tank elsewhere which will need to be pumped on a regular basis. Mr. Dutch will get a quote for a new oil separator.

Mr. Dutch suggested having the Company 2 Firehouse driveway go out onto Oak Grove instead of a driveway that goes along the building. Firetrucks would not be exiting; it would primarily be for personnel. This would allow for 2 bigger doors on that side of the addition. Mr. Dutch will approach Oak Grove with this proposal.

Mr. Dutch provided Pat Munger Construction quotes for Company 2 Firehouse Pre-Engineered Steel Building. The structural system would be 32' wide x 60' long x 18' eave height rigid frame system with tapered beams for \$312,915.00. It would be one full size drive through bay and one with a 10 foot door. This quote included removal of the oil separator. This document is filed at the Selectman's Office.

An electrician from Munger Construction determined the electrical panel was full and that there was not enough space on the panel for the proposed addition. The electrical service would need to be upgraded. Mr. Dutch stated Company 2 Firehouse was all electric heat. Mr. Dutch suggested eliminating the electric heat which would free up spaces on the electrical panel. This would also lower utility costs of operating the building.

**C. Review any updates from town officials including but not limited to Planning and Zoning, Land Use, Building Inspector, or Public Works Director. .**

There was none.

**6. General Discussion**

There was none.

**7. Overview of next meeting, to be held December 30, 2015**

**Motion by Mr. Daigle to cancel the December 30, 2015 meeting. Second by Mr. Anderson and unanimously passed.**

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The next meeting will be January 6, 2016.

**8. Audience of Citizens**

There was none.

**9. Adjournment**

**Motion by Mr. Dutch at 7:53 p.m. to adjourn. Seconded by Ms. Spencer  
and unanimously passed.**

Respectfully submitted:

Shawn Daigle  
Secretary