Board of Fire Commissioners
Municipal Office Complex
Meeting Room 1
Wednesday, February 9, 2022
5:00pm
Special Meeting
Company #2 Fire House Feasibility Study Discussion

Attendance; Irene Haines, Bruce Dutch, Tim Reynolds, Brian Auld, Jim Ventres, Brian Humes, Don Angersola

Call to order

- 5:00pm by Bruce Dutch

Discussion

Brian Humes, guest speaker specializes in public safety building construction. This study is a 4 part process.

- Space needs assessment - $8,000
    - 20 year past and future growth study
    - Projections
    - Site requirements
    - Apparatus (needs vs wants)
    - Space (needs vs wants)

- Site Assessment $2,000
    - After endorsement of space needs assessment, they will evaluate up to 3 sites based on needs

- Schematic design $10,000
    - Site Plan and style of building

- Professional cost estimate $5,000
    - Total cost estimate including hard, soft, contingency and total

Q. Irene- Can the currently compromised building be used?

A. Brian- The building can be repaired to code compliance with a $1 million and up estimate, but will that meet the needs for the next 20 years

Jim - Growth won't be what it was in the 80's and 90's

Q. Bruce- Does repairing the building require you to bring it up to current code compliance?

A. **Brian**- Yes, if the repairs exceed 50% of the assessed value of the building which is $348,000. Essential facilities must also go beyond code by 15%

Tim - We need to think about location and is the current building safe? No. Do we need to change to accommodate growth as our apparatus is growing as well. This is an urgent need due to the current building status.

Q. Bruce- Is the firehouse in the right spot?

A. **Jim** - Yes, as far as potential growth goes.

Q. Irene - How much room do we have at the current site?

A. **Jim** - If we were to enlarge the footprint we could use property across the road for septic if needed to make the building larger.

Brian H. - The town has been put on notice that the building is structurally compromised. The building anchor bolts rusted out and are not currently attached to the foundation which is also compromised.

Irene - Plans have been put in place for moving trucks from Co. 2 to the public works garage during the last winter storm due to uncertainty of the building's integrity. Public works has been put on alert for the potential to have to move equipment and estimates it can be done in about 20 minutes.

Q. Bruce - Is there anything you can tell me that makes me feel better about having just put an addition on that building?

A. **Brian A**. Yes, that part of the building is not compromised.

Irene - At the time the addition was put on Co.2, it was known there were issues with the integrity of the main building but there was no money in the capital budge to address it at that time.

Motion to do the Space needs assessment made by Tim Reynolds, seconded by Bruce Dutch.

Motion to adjourn made by Bruce Dutch, seconded by Tim Reynolds at 6:10pm.