Town of East Haddam
Moodus Firehouse Renovation Committee
January 13, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER
   The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. at the Municipal Office Complex, Meeting Room 3.
2. ATTENDANCE AND APPOINTMENT OF ALTERNATE(S)
   Craig Mansfield, First Selectman, Irene Haines, Kevin Rutty, Walter Parkus, Eric Cantar-Silver Petrucelli and Don Angersola-Director of Operations.

   Absent:

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES
   A. November 4, 2024
   Motion to approve the minutes from November 4, 2024.
   Haines/Rutty Passed unanimously.
4. OLD BUSINESS
   A. Silver Petrucelli & Associates Update

   Heritage Park Site: Following a review, the committee decided to remove Heritage Park as a potential location due to safety concerns, limited parking, and its location in a residential area. Significant challenges regarding road reconfiguration, utility updates, and site circulation for emergency vehicles were also noted.

   Current Site: Discussions were held on updates and next steps for the current site:
   -A new budget, including management and administrative fees, is needed for presentation to the Board of Finance and bonding.
   -Construction costs are estimated at approximately $800 per square foot, excluding well and septic upgrades.
   -The committee discussed including septic replacement in planning due to the age of the current system.
   -Environmental assessments and Geotech boring are required, and the RFP process will be initiated.
   -Pole lighting for safety and motion-activated systems for parking areas were proposed.
   -The committee proposed a dedicated truck wash area with power washers, durable materials, proper drainage, and potential water recycling.

   B. Bills and Invoices
   Motion to approve invoice (#24-1467) dated 12/01/2024 for $500, covering design development phases.

Rutty/Haines Passed unanimously.

Motion to approve invoice (#25-063) dated 1/12/2025 for $1,000, for design development phases.
Rutty/Haines Passed unanimously.

5. GENERAL DISCUSSION
   A. Next Meeting
   The next meeting was scheduled for January 27, 2025, at 5:30 p.m.

   B. Other
   SP+A will finalize construction cost estimates using comparable projects and present a new design development budget at the next meeting.
   The committee emphasized the importance of reaching a shovel-ready status quickly for bonding and public hearings, targeting a referendum in spring 2025.

6. AUDIENCE OF CITIZENS
   No citizens were present.
7. ADJOURNMENT
   Motion to adjourn 6:49 p.m.
   Haines/Rutty Passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
E. Ruth Ziobron
Recording Secretary