

Charlton Fire Station Building Committee

Members:

Chairman Ralph Fiske	Present	Secretary Rob Barton	Present
Brian Ouellette	Present	Robin Craver	Absent
Joe Haebler	Present	Dave Ryan	Present
John McGrath	Absent	Keith Cloutier	Present

Vertex Members:

Tecton Members:

Rebecca Hopkins, Jeff McElravy, and Dennis Ross

Also in attendance:

Gerry Doble, Finance Committee Member

Lt. Dowd, Charlton Police

Curt Meskus, Building Commissioner

Meeting held March 11, 2019, meeting called to order at 0905

Motion to accept the minutes from the special meeting that was held on 1/25/19

Haebler

Second-Ouellette

Unanimous

Jeff McElravy stated that they received updated information from their topography engineers regarding the site and they made some changes to the layout of the building. Jeff stated there the topography required the building to be turned, thus the apparatus will come out the back of the building. The apparatus coming out onto Masonic Home will be at street level and there will be no uphill grade for the apparatus to climb to get to Masonic Home Road. If the apparatus turns left onto Masonic Home Rd, there will be a slight incline for them to climb till they get to the driveway of Masonic Home Road.

Jeff stated the other access drive on the east side of the building, will primarily be for non-fire apparatus such as the pumpers, tanker, rescue and tower truck. Jeff states the driveway looks to be a 6 percent grade and not feasible for apparatus. Question was asked about a similar area in town with a 6 percent grade, unable to come up with a certain area.

Jeff gave an overview of the new plans that were distributed. States the first floor will be slightly below grade from Masonic Home Road. Question by Ralph about bringing it up to grade level and Jeff states that would require a tremendous amount of fill, also require a retaining wall and this would not be feasible.

Jeff discussed the layout of both the 1st and 2nd floors for the police side and the fire side of the building, noting some significant changes such as the sally port and detention area on the police side, the fire administration being moved to the 1st floor and the firefighters area and kitchen being moved to the second floor. In addition, the community room was moved to the second floor. Jeff states they will work on the bathrooms on the 1st and 2nd floors as well as the mechanical room and comm equipment rooms.

Rob Barton discussed the need to meet every week instead of every other since the May 20th town meeting is quickly approaching. Jeff recommended that we go two weeks till the next meeting on March 25th since there is a lot of work for them to complete before we get out next drawings.

Committee agreed that we will wait two weeks before our next meeting and then we will meet weekly, till the meeting on May 20th.

Lt. Dowd asked about the men's locker room and ensuring there was enough lockers, Jeff stated they did increase the number of lockers from the current police station to the proposed. Also stated that the lockers will be much larger, eliminating the need for some officers needing two.

Gerry Doble asked about the future of the town fireworks and Rob stated he was unsure of what will happen with the town fireworks and a discussion would need to be had with the Old Home Day committee regarding the future of the fireworks.

Rob asked Tecton if they would assist in the development of a presentation that can be used during some "Town Hall Style" presentations. Tecton states they will assist in developing the presentations and will be available for the presentation meetings as well.

Next meeting will be held on March 25, 2019

Motion to adjourn at 1130

Haebler

Second by Ouellette.

Unanimous