

PUBLIC SAFETY BUILDING COMMITTEE

MINUTES FOR JUNE 6, 2018, 6:00 PM

The meeting was opened at 6:03 p.m. Area 58 was present to record the meeting.

Present: Nancy Butler, Bob Karling, Art Morin, Colleen Thompson, Harry Weikel, Jon Wilhelmsen

Absent: Ross MacPherson

Guests Present: Mark Russo – Plympton Board of Selectmen, Dan Pallotta – P3

Overview of Project to Date – DP says that the project is going well. There have been no claims, RFIs (Request for Information) or PCOs (Proposed Change Order) to date. The footings have been built and the rebar installed. The foundation was raised 6” after consultation with the engineers, Geotech and architect (see Committee Concerns a. below). The biggest worry prior to start was the site work and this has gone well. We are a tiny bit behind schedule due to the rainy weather. Despite the heavy rains, there has been no standing water on the site.

Dan needs a letter from the Town for the electric company affirming that the Town will pay to bring electric service to the site. Dan will meet with the Town Administrator tomorrow to acquire this.

Dan reminded the Committee that there will be issues, rumors and questions raised by people in Town before we are done. Call Dan, just in case he hasn’t heard about the problem, and he will deal with it ASAP.

Approval of Minutes – The minutes of the May meeting were approved as written. Motion by Art Morin, Second by Harry Weikel, Vote 5/0 (BK arrived after this vote).

Current Invoices –

1. APC – Inv. #2 - \$91,295. Moved by Art Morin, Second by Harry Weikel, Aye Vote 6/0
2. Context Architect - Inv. #14 - \$15,000. There was some discussion to hold this payment since we have not received the requested additional driveway plans. This will be an option in the future. Moved by Art Morin, Second by Harry Weikel, Aye Vote 6/0

Committee Concerns –

1. AM, HW asked about the height of the foundation. In conversation with John Matthias, as Town resident and a sub-contractor on the project, AM was told that the foundation should be raised an additional 6’-12”. They feel that more stones are needed to raise the height of the building. DP said that the question was already being addressed before it was raised by the sub-contractor. After consultation with the engineers and the architects, the building was raised 6” above the original plan.

Committee Concerns cont.–

- a. JW asked for clarification of the process and problem. DP responded: The area dirt was removed to virgin soil then was dug out an additional 18". Next a layer of Mirafi fabric wrapped stones was installed, 6" deeper than originally planned. This puts the building higher than the parking lot. If it is raised any more there will need to be changes to the building access to meet ADA requirements. The additional 6" of stone was done within the contract, at no additional charge because the GC did not want to lose the time it would take to go through the change order process.
 - b. AM wants it on the record that he has concerns about the height of the building.
2. BK asked why we have not yet gotten a building permit. DP said that the application was filed on May 8 and he doesn't know why it has not been issued yet. BK said they are missing some information from Context and has not received a response from them. DP will follow up on this and will meet with the Building Inspector. He will also see if Zel, from Context, will come to the next meeting.
3. BK asked about the size of the holding tank in the sally port. DP will see if a smaller tank will meet Code.
4. The Committee is still concerned that we have not yet received plans for the new driveway. We have been asking about this from Context for several months. DP will push them to get this done.
5. NB asked if there is going to be a ground-breaking ceremony. The consensus is that the Committee would prefer to hold an opening ceremony when the building is completed.
6. DP met with Police Chief Pat Dillon and contacted the Plymouth County Sherriff to begin arranging the paint work.

Next Meeting – July 11, 2018, 6:00 PM