

Town of Brookfield
6 Central Street
Brookfield, MA 01506

Municipal Facilities Planning Committee

Minutes
Monday June 17th, 2013
Location: Town Hall

Members Present:

Stephen J. Comtois II
William R. Simpson
Don Taft
Peter Martell

Members Not Present:

Linda Lincoln
Carol Plumb
Don Faugno

Citizens/Guests Present:

Police Chief Blanchard
David Holdcraft

Mr. Comtois called the meeting to order at 6:37pm, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Previous Minutes

No previous minutes were presented.

New Member Discussion

Several committee members have resigned at this point and there was discussion on recruiting new members. Linda Lincoln informally indicated she would be resigning due to the conflict of having two selectboard members on the same committee. Jeanne Myers has also recently resigned.

Police Station Discussion

The committee discussed the results of the town meeting vote for the New Police Station that did not grant the 2/3 majority required to pass the debt exclusion.

For next steps the committee will seek out means of reducing the cost further with the goal of presenting a revised plan for the special town meeting in the fall. Mr. Taft will

Speak with Steve MacMillan from Reinhardt associates and Mr. Simpson will discuss the USDA grant options with Steve Bonavita.

Septic System

Mr. Simpson suggested that the septic system become a primary focus of the committee as it can be done outside of the debt exclusion votes for either the town hall or the police station and needs to happen for the existing and future buildings on the lot. Mr. Taft agreed to research the cost of having the septic system installed using town resources. The Board of Health has already stated its approval of this concept, and a demolition permit has been issued for the Highway department to tear down the salt shed.

Town Hall Discussion

Mr. Simpson reported that Matching funds for the MPPF grant were transferred at the town meeting, and the town is still waiting to hear back on the grant, which would allow for the code review, structural analysis and architectural drafting of the new town hall plan.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday July 15th at 6:30pm at the Town Hall.

Adjournment

Don Taft made a motion to adjourn. Peter Martell seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,

William R. Simpson

Approval:

These minutes were unanimously approved 7.15.13