



TOWN OF CHARLTON HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Minutes of Highway Barn Building Committee
March 24, 2008

Present: Gerry Foskett – Robin Craver - Joe Haebler – Ronald Choiniere – Tony Polletta – Armand Carpentier – Jack Bacon – Jack Ferguson of CTM – Jeff Alberti & Jaime Fair of W & S

- I. Call to Order: Meeting started at 10:13 a.m.
- II. Motion was made by Jack Bacon to accept the minutes from March 13th meeting, 2nd by Joe Haebler.
- III. Gerry Foskett opened the meeting with the topic of the possible alternate site for the Highway Operational Building. Gerry Foskett asked Jack Ferguson what he thought about using part of the recreation field. Jack Ferguson stated that the recreational field was more feasible for our project.
- IV. Jack Ferguson asked about whether the Recreation Committee had topography and whether the Recreation Committee had started the permitting process.
- V. Tony Polletta made a motion to moved forward in looking at the new site, looking at getting a cost comparison along with topography of the area. Armand Carpentier seconds the motion. Gerry Foskett asked if with moving the location of the project, would we obtain more liability and costs? Jack Ferguson's overview was that a lot of the cost would go away; that we haven't lost money; architect fee already spent would not be wasted and that in the end we would save. The Building Committee toke a vote on Tony P motion. Voted unanimous.
- VI. Gerry Foskett discussed approaching the Board of Selectmen with the new alternate site, along with topo and expense cutbacks and savings. Jack Ferguson was asked to draw up a letter to submit to the Board of Selectmen stating the reasons as to the relocation of the Operational Building.
- VII. The Committee discussed that 5 acres would be an adequate amount for the Highway Operational Building along with the Dog Pound, which was going to be brought to the attention of the Recreation Committee.
- VIII. Discussed with Lisa Westerwell the timeline and approval of funds for the location of the Dog Pound. Lisa stated that the Board of Selectmen needed a definite location before funding would be approved.

- IX. Jaime passed out revised task sheet; the committee discussed certain tasks with Jeff and Jaime of Weston and Sampson. An extensive breakdown of task 8 was discussed.
- X. Robin Craver brought up concerns about the procurement laws with moving the location of this project. Great discussion was taken. Jack Ferguson was asked to get in contact with the Attorney Generals Office and check on the percentages of the contracts.
- XI. Tony Polletta asked Jeff and Jaime of Weston and Sampson as to why we have endured extra costs and why they didn't plan on unexpected costs. Jaime went over in extensive detail the costs that we have endured and as to why.
- XII. Joe Haebler made a motion that Gerry and Robin discuss the possible relocation and needs of the project with Karen Gauvin of the Recreation Committee; Jack Bacon second the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Meeting adjourn

Respectfully submitted by:
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