

## **Tamworth Municipal Building Committee**

Draft Minutes – October 7, 2019

### ***Draft minutes to be reviewed and approved at a subsequent meeting***

**Call to Order** – Willie Farnum called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm. Other committee members present were Dana Littlefield, Andy Fisher, and Jack Waldron. Members absent: Rebecca Mason, Ron Remick and Richard Colcord.

**Approval of Minutes of August 5, 2019 meeting** – Jack moved to accept minutes as written, Andy seconded. Motion carried with Dana abstaining.

### **Reports and Discussion**

Willie read Ron's report of investigating the possibility of expansion of the Central Fire Station lot. The report corroborates Rich's assessment of the present lot. Use of the property behind the lot would require a dredge and fill permit from the NH Wetlands Bureau. The owner of the lot is not willing to consider any type of land exchange.

Willie reported on a walk-through inspection of the Central Fire Station he performed on October 4 with Chief Colcord. Discussed outdated vehicles and equipment that could either be disposed or relocated, possibly to the South Tamworth Station where there would be more room if the unsaleable leftover auction items were disposed of. There are some general maintenance and modest remodeling items that could improve the usefulness of the station for the short term.

Kim Remick's report: Everyone had a chance for a brief skim of the .DOC file Rich sent out. Most people would like a hard copy to study. Hopefully arrangements can be made with Rich to get hard copies in the next week or so.

A general discussion followed concerning call location data and potential new building sites. Further discussion awaits input from Becky and Ron, who each have been working on one of those items.

Dana asked what preparations need to be made for the 2020 annual town meeting and suggested that, at the least, there should be an informational presentation by the committee, covering the current conditions of the fire and police buildings and options available to address those conditions. Possibly a non-binding vote could be made to get an idea of where the town stands. The committee has collected enough cost estimates to provide the town with realistic costs for various options. Be sure to include costs for equipping and operating a new building. Some neighboring towns have taken a few years of town meeting articles before approving a new public safety building.

### **Action Items**

#### **Carried over from last meeting:**

Willie and Becky will continue working on locating emergency calls.

Becky will contact Cowan Goudreau Architects and Lakes Region Planning Commission.

#### **Prep for next meeting:**

All members will be ready with ideas/suggestions for developing an outline of the elements for a presentation at the 2020 annual town meeting.

**Next Meeting** – November 4, 2019, 7:00 pm (19:00) at the Central Fire Station.

**Adjournment** – There being no other business, Jack moved, Andy seconded, meeting adjourned at 8:12 pm.

*Submitted by Chris Conrod, Secretary to the MBC*