

# Town of Kingston, NH

## Fire Station Building Committee

### MINUTES

Meeting of January 5, 2022 6:00 pm

Kingston Fire Station

1. Call to Order by Chairman Mark Furlong at 6:05 pm. Present are Kent Walker, Chief Graham Pellerin, Brian Gallant, Andrew Berridge, Don Briggs. Excused: Rich St. Hilaire, Chuck Hart
2. Old Business
  - a. Approve minutes of December 15, 2021: motion to approve the minutes as written by Graham Pellerin with a second by Kent Walker. Motion passed unanimously (PUNA) with two abstentions: Andrew Berridge and Brian Gallant.
3. New Business
  - a. Construction Update: Chief Pellerin provided an update on the construction progress; work is ongoing and good progress is being made, some areas of work include: painting has started in the admin section of the building; electrical work is nearly finished in the admin section and the electricians are moving on to the apparatus bays; generator pad (pre-cast) is being delivered this week and should be set soon; light poles are being placed; propane tanks are on order and should arrive soon; tiling is ongoing in the bathrooms and siding is also continuing with the admin section nearing completion. One item of note is that a review of the design of the fire alarm system was done with Jeff Murphy of SFC Engineering and it was determined that we can reduce the number of heat detectors in the apparatus bays which will result in a cost savings; Bauen is working on the amount to be saved.
  - b. Owner's Budget: Kent Walker began by discussing that there are several items in the Owner's Budget that need to be ordered soon due to lead times and timing delivery for when these items are needed to complete the building. He and Chief Pellerin have been working on these items, getting multiple price quotes where possible and they have a list of items for the Committee to approve tonight.
    - i. Kitchen Equipment: Kent went over the specs that he has been researching for light commercial equipment including 2 refrigerators, a 36" electric stove and an ADA compliant dishwasher. Kent presented pricing from Home Depot, Lowes and AJ Madison (distributor from NY) with all being in the same general range. There was a discussion about warranty and whether extended warranties should be considered (base warranty is 2 years). It was also mentioned that we should check with a local vendor (Alternative Sales) to see if they can supply any of the equipment needed for a comparable price. Motion by Kent Walker, second by Brian Gallant to approve up to \$ 8500 to purchase the equipment with extended warranties with Kent to work on getting the lowest price. Motion passed unanimously (PUNA).
    - ii. Training Room Furniture: Kent explained that the primary furniture needed for the training room is tables and chairs and that they currently have long lead times. He has researched pricing and found the best price for 12 – 72" training tables to be from Amazon and 24 chairs to

be from Staples for a total of \$ 6625. Motion to approve by Kent Walker, second by Don Briggs, PUNA.

- iii. Electrical Change Order: Kent Walker presented a change order he had received from Bauen Corp for Giguere Electrical for adds, moves, changes for electrical outlets and data jacks in locations that were not in the original design. The amount of the change order is \$ 22,295 and Kent recommended that this be funded out of the Owner's contingency. Motion by Kent Walker to approve change order with funding from Owner's Contingency, second by Andrew Berridge, PUNA.
- iv. Video Surveillance: Graham Pellerin presented two proposals he obtained from local vendors to provide video surveillance cameras, recording equipment and controls, etc. plus installation. He explained that this is a mid-grade system, an upgrade from what is in the current fire station but not a high end system. He believes that it should be adequate for the needs of the Fire Department. Two quotes obtained were \$ 7578 from Pelmac and \$ 6445 from Reinhold Security. Motion by Graham Pellerin to approve quote from Reinhold, second by Kent Walker, PUNA.
- v. Radio Equipment: Graham Pellerin described the Motorola radio equipment quoted by Two Way Communications to include 2 higher end desksets and 6 standard desksets plus the associated radio control system, etc. Price quoted is \$ 30,969. Graham explained that he did try to get additional quotes, he had contacted White Mountain Communications but they were not very responsive and they are not able to supply the equipment specified. Motion by Graham Pellerin to approve quote from Two Way Communications, second by Don Briggs, PUNA.
- vi. Antenna System: Graham Pellerin described the radio antennas that are needed and where they will be installed on the new building. There are a total of 5 antennas with most being relatively small except for one large single pole antenna for the Seacoast Fire frequency. The antennas will be installed on the side of the apparatus bay wall which faces the admin section where they will be relatively inconspicuous. Quote received from Two Way Communications is for \$ 22,665 and Graham Pellerin made a motion to approve, second by Brian Gallant, PUNA.
- vii. Speakers and Alerting System: Graham Pellerin described the speakers and alerting system that will be throughout the building to alert on duty staff to calls, allow them to hear radio traffic plus building wide paging. Quote received from Two Way Communications for \$17,121 with motion to approve by Graham Pellerin, second by Kent Walker, PUNA.
- viii. Air Scrubbers: Graham Pellerin received a quote from Airvac for the air scrubbers which "scrub" the air in the apparatus bays of exhaust fumes. During the design part of this project we reviewed both this system and the Plymovent system which is use at the current station. At the recommendation of the Chief the Committee included the Airvac system in the project budget due to a significant cost savings. Also the fact that the environmental conditions are different in the new station with good separation between the admin section/apparatus bays and negative air pressure in the apparatus bays. The Plymovent system was a good choice for the current station but conditions there are quite different with placement of the admin section above the apparatus bays. Graham Pellerin made a motion to approve the quote from Airvac for \$ 38,534, second by Kent Walker, PUNA.

With these items approved by the Committee work can begin to get these items on order. Also some of these items will be included in the grant to be submitted to FEMA and Chief Pellerin will be able to

coordinate with Paul Hatch. Items that may be included are training room furniture, radio equipment, antennas (5 total, 3 should be eligible for FEMA funding). Graham is concerned about the timing of the grant funding (June/July) with respect to our project schedule and he plans to work further on this with Paul Hatch.

Kent thanked the Committee for its work tonight and he, Graham plus other members of the Fire Department will continue to work on items that need to be purchased and bring another group of quotes to our next meeting.

4. Set next meeting date: January 19, 2020 at 6 pm at Central Fire Station.
5. Adjourn: motion to adjourn by Kent Walker, second by Brian Gallant, PUNA; meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.