

Danbury Safety Building Committee

June 13, 2024

Danbury Volunteer Fire Department

Members Present: James Farmer, David Cummings, Lenny Ryan, Jeremy Martin (Fire Chief), Becky Huntoon (Admin PD), Jessica Hatch (Chair), Chris Kelby (Police Chief); Steve Kulacz (DVFD) ; Frank Ullmer (Lt Fire Dept), Jon Johnson

Members Absent: Marilyn Godfrey, Anna Hullinger, Chris Huyler

Public Present: Maggi Fellows, Bree Huntoon, Cam Huntoon,

Meeting Opened at 7:04 PM by Jessica

Motion by James to accept the meeting Minutes from April 9 as presented; 2nd by Lenny; all in favor.

Discussion regarding the Touch-A-Truck event on June 23 at the Town owned lot at 82 NH Route 104.

Confirmed the time as being 2-4 PM

Discussing regarding give aways and/or food- decided if Chris was willing to pop the popcorn it would be offered; Maggi would get balloons; James would get helium; Bree would get the small bottles of water and a cooler/ ice for them

Fire Department would be selling cash calendars

Becky said she would get the lot mowed and attempt to locate the grade stakes that had been taken down.

Steve would lead FD members to lay out a building design with marking paint, so that vehicles and equipment could be parked 'inside' to give an idea of what it might look like.

Discussion regarding the name of the group- Danbury Public Safety Services Building Committee, the consensus of the group was Public Safety Services Building Committee.

Discussion regarding a survey, a draft had been drafted by a member after the last meeting for review, but we need to discuss what we'd like to see/ how/ when.

It was determined that to have it at the Touch-A-Truck it needed to be short and simple. Using questions 7,8,9, & 10 from the draft, forgo the rest (for now). Becky will get these onto half sheets of paper

Discussion on whether or not to have a Public Safety Services Building Committee Facebook page.

- After discussion on what could be posted, what groups/pages are already available. It was decided to not do another Facebook page, but to start using the Town Website and Facebook page, where the FD & PD pages could share the information, so that all information is in one spot on the Town Website and linked back to the Town Website.

Dave designed a draft flyer for input by the committee and will update with the suggested changes and get the flyer to Maggi.

Lenny asked the group if there was a larger plan (other than the 11 x 17 plan that was available), as he was attempting to get a quote from Belletes, but they were looking for a bigger plan. It was discussed that all of our 'plans' were sketches and not actual design plans, as the committee felt that we weren't at that step in the planning stage to invest a large sum of money for architectural design plans.

- Discussion is what we have are conceptual plan designs, because we need to come up with a 'base view' to show folks what it might look like

Jon was asked to speak to about his sketch design from a couple of meetings ago and if he was able to give a follow up sketch. Jon had questions for the group before it could be designed further- his biggest concern was that the Selectmen and the Budget Committee had to agree on what would be built, without that it doesn't make sense to keep going further.

Discussion regarding the building design

- Truss building (the new facility in Bristol has several trusses and valleys—the valleys are not useable space and add to the cost of the building)
- How much space does the PD need? (both Chief & Becky said an optimal amount of space with the design from the FD- PD as presented would be optimal, nothing that there were actually two holding cells in the design, one being storage to start, but two would be optimal)
- Size/ cost/ practicality of the needs
- Listening to what townfolks have asked- a combined building
- Committee- what will a combined building look like—
 - It was discussed that there were sketches provided early on (around last May or June) by Jessica Cook when we were exploring all options—using one of these as a base
- Jon will work on a draft and see if his source could come to the next meeting and will attempt to have a draft prior to the Touch a truck event.

Chief Martin stated that he had not yet had time to get a quote from a sprinkler system company, that would be cistern run.

A motion was made, 2nd, and redacted after discussion to ask the Selectmen to appropriate funds for an Engineered design; as we are still in the conceptual design stage.

Meetings will be held on the 2nd Thursday of the Month at 7pm. These dates have been posted on the Town Website.

Motion to Adjourn by Lenny, 2nd by Jessica, all in favor. Meeting Adjourned at 8:40 PM