

Meeting Minutes - October 30, 2014

Public Safety Building Committee

Attending the meeting were committee members Eric Shears, Bob Sinibaldi, David Vance, Mark Tocci, Laura Mailman, Rick Pinciario, Carol McLeod, and Richard LeSavoy

Also attending was Ed Davis

Meeting commenced at 6:34 PM

The committee approved the minutes from the last meeting by a vote of 6 to 0 with 2 abstentions.

The committee was joined by Attorney Phil Parry and Jim Palmisano from Construction Planning & Management Inc. to discuss the proposed development of a 36 acre property on Route 110 adjacent to Birch Meadow Road and Whittier Drive.

Discussion:

- Jim reviewed his concept of developing four lots on the site and possibly donating a 9 acre lot to the town which could be used for a new public safety building along with other possible uses.
- Jim shared a concept drawing of the development and discussed some of the specific permitting that would need to be granted in order for the project to move forward.
- Jim shared information about similar developments referred to as Regency West and Regency Heights which are 55 or older rental units. CPM maintains these units in their portfolio, and currently has approximately 425 similar units.
- There were various discussions of the possible suitability of the site for the Public Safety building including research into the ability to access Route 495 from the rear of the lot.
- The committee discussed our timing and possible next steps in the process, which will include a request for proposal for feasibility, study consistent with the funding that has been approved.
- Jim plans to continue the process of gaining approval for the development and the committee expressed our interest in this property as a possible site for our project.

The committee then shifted the discussion to the development of our request for proposal (RFP) for a needs analysis. The scope would include Department of public works, Police, Fire, Ambulance and Emergency Management.

Chief Shears mentioned that he has obtained comparable RFP's from other communities, which may be helpful to us in drafting ours. Eric will create a "dropbox" folder and share these documents with the rest of the committee.

Rick Pinciaro suggested that the committee members review these RFP's and develop comments and recommendations for our next meeting.

The next meeting to be held on Thursday December 4 at 6:30 PM at the same Firehouse meeting room.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:50 PM