

**Emergency Services Building Committee Minutes
September 18, 2018 @ 4:00 PM at the Town Hall**

Committee members present: Skip Dunnell, Bernie Porada, Steve Seredynski, David Quinn Jr., Tracy Rogers and Mark Fortier.

Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM

Motion by Tracy and seconded by Steve to approve minutes of the August 22nd meeting – passed.

OPM: Tony DeLuzio was invited and he agreed to assist with moving the project forward thru Phase I and into Phase II, pro-bono. He had the approval from his new employer, Colliers International, for him to assist. Tony DeLuzio was given the packet sent by Brent Arthuard from Cardinal to review his notes. Tony agreed Phase I was not quite complete. He believed option #5 had been selected by the committee and needed to have an overlay onto the site map to determine set-backs, easements, to start discussions with the Town's planning committee and zoning board. We need to review minutes to verify option #5 was voted. Places Associates could do the map overlay and conceptual design for Phase I. The Town would hire them directly and pay for their services.

Tony will draw up a proposal for the geo-tech borings for 6 – 8 core samples, down to a depth of up to 50'. These borings should be able to be done in 1 day. The borings need to be analyzed by a geotechnical engineer. Preferably one company can do both the drilling and the analysis.

A jar of the old school building spoils should be tested for any residue, as well.

Tony will draw up an environmental services proposal for the committee's consideration. Places Associates could be hired for that portion of Phase II. Tony will try to have both proposals back to the committee within a week.

The designer selection portion of Phase II was discussed and Tony said an OPM did not have to be hired. Skip was to check with the DPW regarding the sewer line easement, Dig Safe notification for the test borings and names of geotechnical companies used on other town projects.

Motion by Mark Fortier and a second by Tracy Rogers to hire Places Associates for the map overlay, conceptual design and environmental services not to exceed \$11,500 – passed.

Mark mentioned two items. The first was West Hampton, MA just approved 4.2 million for a 1,100 sq ft addition to their fire station. The second was the issue Bernardston Fire was having with their Selectboard regarding a new station and looking at the Valley Concrete property near the Northfield town line. Distance issues for both Bernardston and Northfield responders were discussed. Skip had looked at the demographics and Northfield has 14 firefighters within 1-1/4 mile and 20 firefighters within 3 miles of the current fire station. Whereas, there is only 1 member within 1 mile and only 2 members within 3 miles of Valley Concrete. No one on the committee had ever seen the facility to see if it was even viable. Skip to contact Chief Shedd and/or Dennis Shockro for a visit.

Motion to adjourn at 5:10 PM, seconded and passed.

Respectfully submitted,

F. M. "Skip" Dunnell III, Fire Chief