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Selectmen's Work Session

Monday, June 14, 2021, 1:00 p.m.

Belmont Mill - Tioga Meeting Room

Chairman Ruth Mooney called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Also, present were Selectman Claude Patten, Selectman Jon Pike, Town Administrator Jeanne Beaudin, Assistant Town Administrator Alicia Jipson, Police Chief Mark Lewandoski, and Barrett Salta with Bonnette Page and Stone.

Abatements, Exemptions & Credits

The appropriate abatements, exemptions, and credits were signed by all attending Board members.

New Business

PD Signage- TA Beaudin passed along the questions to Doug Proctor from H.L Turner Group that the Board had about the signage on the outside of the building and forwarded Doug's response. The Board gave the go ahead to proceed with the signs as recommended in the drawings.

Storage Project meeting with BPS- Barrett Salta went over the cost of keeping a portion of the old police department building and converting it into permanent storage. It will take some re-working but are confident that we can repurpose a majority of the materials. Proposal for the work as described in written proposal is \$65,412. Selectman Pike mentioned that the new PD will not need a tire rack if the old garage will still have it. Police Chief Lewandowski responded that they have switched over to all seasons and will no longer need to house tires in the garage. TA Beaudin asked Barrett how we were doing project cost wise, and do we anticipate having any money left over, that we could use on this project.

Cleaning- TA Beaudin asked if Chief Lewandoski could get a quote on cleaning for the new police station. Selectman Pike asked if we could also put the cleaning out to bid, as there may be local smaller private cleaning companies wanting a shot at the job. TA Beaudin will draft a RFP for the cleaning of the PD.

Body Cameras- Police Chief Lewandoski mentioned that soon we will be seeing the requirement of police officers to have body cameras on their vests. There will be a grant to apply for, but it only covers the cameras and not the data storage and the data storage is what is awfully expensive. The department will need 18 cameras in total. TA Beaudin thought that this may be something that the County may be interested in providing funding for to use up some of their federal money that they are receiving. TA Beaudin will reach out and inquire.

Old Business

Staffing at Police Department- Police Chief Lewandoski briefly discussed that he will be having some staffing changes within the department, and his plans moving forward on how to address the shift.

Timothy Drive- TA Beaudin supplied confirmation that Linda Dalton had received a writ of possession on the unit located at 30 Timothy Drive; she asked the Board to confirm their prior approval of the abatement of taxes, so that the property owner can move the trailer.

Land Use vehicle- Selectman Pike feels that with what little mileage the Land Use vehicle receives a year it is not worth using in that department, and that it will be better served to transfer to the Public Works department for the time being. The town mechanic looked over the vehicle and found a minor exhaust leak that he repaired. Rick Ball the Land Use Tech, who uses the Land Use vehicle will be able to work out use of a vehicle between the Code Enforcement Officers, Building & Grounds and DPW can also lend a vehicle if necessary.

The meeting adjourned at 2:19.

Ruth P. Mooney, Chairman

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Claude B. Patten, Jr., Selectman