

MINUTES of the Fire Station Building Committee  
Wednesday, March 23, 2022 @ 3:45 p.m.

Committee Members present:                      Councilor Martin Pepin, Chairman  
   Councilor David Witham, Vice Chairman  
   Councilor Kenneth Vincent  
   Citizen Representative Paul Robidas

Staff Members present:                              Bob Belmore, City Manager  
   Scott Smith, Finance Director  
   Jonathan Slaven, City Clerk  
   George Kramlinger, Fire Chief

Public present:                                        Kelly Davis, Port One Architects  
   Senan Murdock, Harvey Construction

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Chairman Martin Pepin called the meeting to order at 3:45 p.m.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM JANUARY 13, 2022

***Councilor Witham made a motion to approve minutes from January 13, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 4-0.***

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

Manager Belmore stated there have been several change orders already approved including an expanded window area for the workout room.

Chief Kramlinger stated the diesel exhaust system which extracts exhaust from the vehicles was omitted from the original design plan. He and the construction team are constantly reviewing items to ensure the project is complete. This change order will cost \$65,500 which will come out of the contingency funds for the project.

Manager Belmore added that it was his recommendation to go with a new system rather than retrofit parts from the old system. The City will be able to recoup some funds by selling the old system on GovDeals helping to offset the cost of the new system. Director Smith informed the Committee that staff investigated installing the old system but that cost of that was \$50,000, so it seemed logical to install a brand-new system. Councilor Witham stated his agreement to doing it right and going with the new system. Mr. Robidas added that there will most likely be many smaller departments who would be interested in the old system.

Manager Belmore then explained that the doors on the design plan are red, although they are shipped to us white. The Chief and architect had suggested we might also consider painting them gray. It costs about \$9,000 to paint the doors. He asked the Committee to weigh in on their preferences. It was the preference of the Committee to keep with the plan of having red doors on the front of the station and white doors on the rear.

### TRAINING TOWER FUNDING UPDATE

Manager Belmore stated that the City has verbal approval from Chris Pappas' office for obtaining a Federal grant to help fund building of a new training tower, the City is just waiting on written approval.

Kelly Davis, of Port One Architects, explained that the conceptual design of the training tower is about 25% complete since it was originally part of the construction plan. He will be receiving an estimated cost from Harvey Construction.

Mr. Davis stated he has been participating in weekly meetings and tours of the site and would love to invite the Committee and rest of Council to examine the progress to date. Mr. Murdock stated that they have been experiencing a few supply-chain issues, but mentioned progress on the interior CMU walls which are nearly complete, water and electrical roughing is ongoing, and the brick veneer starting soon with a target to be complete mid-April. He stated that the number of change orders to date is approximately 30, with an approximate added cost of only \$33,000. He stated they have not been able to make up any time due to poor weather.

### MISCELLANEOUS

Councilor Witham requested Harvey Construction to be aware of the start of little league who share space in the parking lot which has had construction equipment on it. He asked if parking spaces could be better delineated. Chief Kramlinger stated that the materials outside the fence line are scheduled to be removed at the end of April, but can make arrangements in the meantime to allow for little league parking.

### ADJOURN

***Robidas made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilor Vincent and passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.***

Respectfully submitted,

Jonathan Slaven, City Clerk