

Memo

To: Public Safety Building Committee
From: Chief Morrison
CC:
Date: September 26, 2023
Re: Building Committee Meeting Minutes from 092623

1500-1545 hours

Present: Myself, Z. Tirrell, K. Pierce, F. Hinkle, R. Riess, S. Weden, Chief Hutchins, Frank Miller.

The following items were discussed:

The Select Board has accepted the report from the Turner Group which states that both the Fire and Police facilities are woefully inadequate for modern day Public Safety Operations, and that a Public Safety Complex would be a prudent option.

The Turner Group's proposal dated September 7, 2023, has been distributed to all Committee Members. They have provided pricing for a Space Needs Study (\$29,900), a Geotechnical Evaluation (\$8,500) and an Environmental Assessment (\$4,000).

Z. Tirell suggested that we proceed with the Space Needs Assessment now a cost of \$7,200. These funds will be split between FY24 Fire and Police budgets. S. Weden will check to see if there are any other funds that can be committed to this. There was agreement on this and placing the remainder of the funding for TTG's proposed work on the March Warrant, as well as funding for a piece of property. The Committee asked Chief Morrison to contact TTG about the possibility of proceeding now with the Space Needs Assessment.

D.C. Pierce asked for a consensus on whether we will proceed with a "Recreation" component in this building. The consensus due to many factors (IE the required footprint would be huge, and we have differing security requirements) was that this function would not be included in the planning at this time. We did agree about the importance of a Community Room, however.

We discussed several potential sites.