

TOWN BUILDING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JULY 1, 2021
VIA ZOOM

Present: Raymond O'Connor, Chairman
Abe Fisher
Dean Fiscus
Gene Carini

Absent: John Rhodes
Jerry Fortier
Tom Como

Also Present: Frank Ellsworth, Assistant Fire Marshal
Steve Way, Building Official
John Way, Fire Marshal
Bill Cornelius, Clerk of the Works
Steve June, Architect
Marty Chashin, Silver & Petrucelli
Ed Noble, Noble Construction
Marc Salerno, Board of Selectmen
Bob Banning, Architect
Bill Silver, Silver & Petrucelli
Mike Finklestein, Chief of Police
Paul Dagle, Board of Selectmen Ex-officio

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July 7, 20 21 AT 12:02 AM/PM
Bruce Horan ATC
EAST LYME TOWN CLERK

1. **CALL TO ORDER.** Chairman O'Connor called the Town Building Committee Special Meeting of July 1, 2021 to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Pledge of Allegiance was observed.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS.** There were no public comments.
4. **CORRESPONDENCE.** There was no correspondence.
5. **NEW BUSINESS.**
 - a. **Public Safety Building.**

Change Orders. PRV-31r was to furnish and install a 1 ½" Pressure Reducing Valve in the Mechanical Room. Mr. O'Connor recommended accepting 2" for the Pressure Reducing Valve. Steve Way asked if it was made of copper? Mr. Noble replied the pipes are made of copper. Mr. O'Connor stated the ball valve is not lead free. Mr. Cornelius informed him we have a loaner from Base Mechanical until we receive authorization. Mr. Noble stated the Goldstein 1-1/2" proposal is for a new lead-free valve.

MOTION (1): Mr. Fisher moved to approve Change Order 31r to furnish and install a 1 ½ Pressure Reducing Valve in the Mechanical

**Room in the amount of \$7,237.35. Seconded by Mr. Carini.
(4-0) Unanimous.**

PCO N-43r Mr. Banning stated this change order is from LePine to add addressable modules for the fire smoke detector and 120V firing to the dampers. The number of dampers has been reduced. The modules were not called out on the fire alarm drawing. The dampers connected to the fire alarm system did not carry addressable modules. We received a change order in the amount of \$12,648.32. It was reduced to \$12,023.74. Mr. O'Connor stated we have a credit to eliminate 14 dampers and install 36 dampers. Mr. Banning stated they are only crediting the conduit and wiring around the dampers.

PCO-35 Mr. Chasim stated this is for sheet metal. We are adding six fire/smoke dampers and 10 ceiling dampers and 21 fire/smoke dampers. He thought we would receive credit for material and wiring. When they did a break down this was changed. Mr. Chasim reached out to the sales representative and were given a credit of 21. They gave a detailed email. Columbia Sheet Metal's price increased for shipping. He estimated six hours of labor for the smoke dampers. We received a credit for two. He spoke to a representative of Columbia Sheet Metal Company and was informed that one large duct needed to be redone and that was added into it. Mr. O'Connor compared an ad and it was twice as much. He received a comment from the sales representative who stated you are removing a smaller one and replacing it with a larger one. Mr. Banning felt there is a \$3,000 to \$4,000 discrepancy. Because of the increase in size, he suggested asking for a credit.

John Way stated we are doing it to code. It is required. We and the Building Department will evaluate it. Mr. Cornelius asked John Way about the monitoring of the dampers in certain areas. He asked can those be five to one in the relay modular? One of those four is closed and it's easier to service. John Way questioned what if the system doesn't have the capacity to do so. Part of the reason for the monitors is so the Fire Department won't need to empty the building to find the problem. It can be narrowed down faster. Mr. Banning added there is a savings of \$150 per module. Mr. O'Connor asked if we are doing this the right way. John Way replied most of the individuals in the Fire Department are volunteers. it interrupts the operation of the Public Safety Building if you go the cheaper route. Most will be hidden in the ceiling. Steve Way agreed this was the right way to proceed.

MOTION (2): Mr. Fiscus moved to approve PCO-35 in the amount of \$9,321.90 and PCO-43r in the amount of \$12,023.74. Seconded by Mr. Fisher. (4-0) Unanimous.

Mr. Salerno stated when you approved PCO-31r the 2" option disappears from the Budget summary. Mr. Cornelius stated the Notifier panel is not available at this time. Does the Firelight panel quotation of \$12,300 include devices to go with it? Noble's fee of 5% will need to be added to the PCO. Mr. Banning stated the existing modification devices are compatible. There is no need to replace them. Mr. Cornelius asked does it include the strobes needed? Mr. Banning replied they won't need to be replaced. Mr. Cornelius recommends that it be installed. Mr. Banning added placement of the panel would be next to the old one. He added he thought it was placed in the Dispatch Room. John Way stated he spoke to LePine and was informed the panels will be next to one another. Mr. Cornelius added that was my recommendation. The two panels in the Electrical Room are to be next to each other. Mr. Banning stated he is ok with that.

Mr. O'Connor added it was on Drawing No. 4 that the new fire alarm panel would be in the Dispatch Office. Mr. Banning stated we can change the location on the drawing and there will be no change to the pricing. John Way felt the location is ok. Mr. Cornelius stated we suggested that the fire communication will not go in there. The fire alarm equipment has its own board. Mr. O'Connor stated that is the price of the panel. Mr. Cornelius stated that is all of the devices and labor, because they were doing work in the initial bid. Mr. Banning added that is on labor for all devices. Mr. June stated the new total is \$12,915 after adding the 5% Noble fee.

MOTION (3): Mr. O'Connor moved to approve PCO-35 to purchase the Firelight fire alarm panel and installation in the amount of \$12,915. Seconded by Mr. Fiscus. (4-0) Unanimous.

PCO-N44 for Gyp board patching related to PCO-N-35. Mr. June stated that this is for the gyp board patching and reframing to modifications of PCO-35. We are good with the dollar amount.

MOTION (4): Mr. Fisher moved to approve PCO-N44 in the amount of \$7,890.38. Seconded by Mr. Fiscus. (4-0) Unanimous.

Mr. June felt the line striping needs to be done. Mr. Noble felt it does appear in the near future we will have to re-do the paving. Steve Way felt Zoning will require it. Mr. Cornelius added Joe Bragaw, Public Works Director, plans to reseal in the front. There is no sense in re-striping it until it is resealed. Mr. Noble felt it needs to be clean. Mr. Cornelius felt the part coming down the driveway needs to be fixed in the next couple of months.

Mr. Noble added you are short the 2 X 2 carpet tiles. There will be a proposal for the purchase of new flooring material. Labor is covered.

Mr. Salerno asked for an explanation on new carpet repairs? Mr. O'Connor replied this was because of a water leak. Mr. Noble stated we have not received the proper hours spent on it. Mr. Cornelius added it is based on the selected pattern. EOC carpet supplier will give a generous discount.

Mr. O'Connor asked will the new fire alarm panel affect the schedule. Mr. Noble replied until those systems are together the elevator system cannot be tested and the ceiling cannot go in. Mr. O'Connor asked what is the completion date? Mr. Noble replied the system is approximately three weeks, then the elevator needs to be completed and we can start the testing of the HVAC. Mr. O'Connor felt it will go into August. Mr. O'Connor thanked Messrs. Banning and Chashin for their input.

Mr. O'Connor stated the next meeting will be on July 15, 2021, via Zoom.

MOTION (5): Mr. Fiscus moved to adjourn the July 1, 2021 Town Building Committee Special Meeting at 6:50 p.m. Seconded by Mr. Carini. (4-0) Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Gheri, Recording Secretary