

Building Committee Meeting of May 14, 2020

Meeting was held at the Town Hall in Sayner. Meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman Maines. Chairman Maines noted that this meeting was duly called with notice posted at the Town Hall in Sayner, the Sayner Post Office, and the Star Lake Post Office, and notice given to the Vilas County News-Review, The Lakeland Times, and WERL-WRJO Radio Stations of Eagle River, as well as posted on the town website. Supervisor Schmidt, Supervisor Wiggenhauser and Clerk Brooker were present. plus 7 other people. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Supervisor Wiggenhauser made a motion to approve the agenda in any order. Supervisor Schmidt seconded; motion carried.

Building Committee Discussion:

Supervisor Schmidt started by talking about the size of the plan for the Town Garage from Blue Design Group. He thinks that the 6600 sq. ft. plan will work out if equipment is switched around for the plan to be more efficient. Supervisor Wiggenhauser feels that the Town Garage plan could be made smaller by storing the grader and tractor in the existing steel building. He said heat could be put in that building, He also questioned the size allotted for the mezzanine and the cold storage, saying he didn't think a person needed that much extra space for what they will be used for. He wants to be efficient to keep the cost down for the Town. Supervisor Schmidt said that along with heat there would also have to be water and duplicate tools in the steel building so the crew would be able to maintain the equipment properly. Supervisor Schmidt said what makes the most sense to him, is to keep all of the equipment in the same building. Kevin Rasmussen's statement was to build for the future, not just the current needs. Tom Reed asked where the building site for the new Town Garage was going to be. Chairman Maines said putting it at the transfer site/recycling area where all the sand and gravel is, makes the most sense to him. Supervisor Schmidt says he thinks moving the fuel station to the new site is also included in Blue Designs plan. Tom Reed stated he was in favor of building bigger, not smaller. Joan Kazda thinks it would be foolish to under build, especially with how long the whole process takes to get things approved. She also said she is in favor of keeping all the equipment in the same building with adequate room, heat, and water. John Kazda said he feels the time is right to build now, as the cost of building will only go up and interest rates are very low right now. Dale Buss feels it would be a mistake to go smaller. There was a short discussion on how property taxes would be affected, about building usages and how to plan ahead so there would be a way to add onto the new Town Garage in the future. Chairman Maines said he wants to decide on the proposals to take to the electors and went on and made his case for why the Town Shop and Sand/Salt Shed need replacing. Discussion on how unsafe the Sand/Salt is and the fact that it needs to be replaced soon. Supervisor Wiggenhauser said the new Sand/Salt Shed did not need to be 2400 square feet. Most members thought that the bigger building was justified due to it being recommended by Blue Design and going by the total amount of Sand/Salt the Town goes through each season. Chairman Maines asked for thoughts on the Rec Building. Joan Kazda said she would be in favor of building new, rather than remodeling. It was decided to present the buildings to the Electors in the following order. 1. New Town Garage; \$750,000 2. New Sand/Salt Shed; \$250,000 3A. Remodel Rec Building and 3B. Build New Rec Building. After the Electors looked at all the information and had time to digest, Chairman Maines said they could vote right away or if people felt they needed more time to digest the info, the Board would need to schedule another meeting to hold the Electors vote. Supervisor Wiggenhauser suggested the Town hold some open houses for the Electors to come and learn about and view the plans. Kevin Rasmussen agreed saying that in one night, it would be too hard to digest all the information given them.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:04 pm.

A voice recording of this meeting is available in the Town Office. These minutes were taken at a Building Committee Meeting held on the 14th day of May 2020 and were entered in the Record Book by: