



Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS

Stephen M. Carrier, Chief
Michael Robinson, Deputy Chief

Comprehensive Facilities Review Committee Meeting January 18, 2010

Commissioner Waldron called the meeting to order at 6:09 PM.

Present: Commissioners Paul Auger, Tom Gallant and Kevin Waldron, Tilton Selectman Sandy Plessner and Northfield Selectman Steve Bluhm.

Kevin stated that there are four variations of the plan. Tom stated they were supposed to take Steve Bluhm's plan and make modifications to that plan. Discussion ensued about the various plans. All the plans call for spending \$15,000 on Center Street.

Bonding was discussed for the two buildings. Steve pointed out that the best rate for a bond through Franklin Savings Bank is 4.125. Tom stated that you can get it cheaper through the State Land Trust at 2.6.

Everyone agreed to spend \$15,000 on Center Street in 2010. Everyone agreed that after Center Street they want to do something with Park Street. Discussion ensued.

The general consensus was 2011 for construction at Park Street. Funding was discussed.

Call percentages were discussed for East Tilton.

Sandy asked what happens to all their plans and recommendations if Northfield and the District decide to split apart. Kevin replied nothing. Steve replied that within the next couple of weeks they will know.

It was decided that warrant articles for the 2010 District Meeting would be as follows:

- To add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund.
- To expend \$15,000.00 from the Land & Building fund to remodel Center Street Station per Commissioner Gallant's plan including a fire escape on the back of the building and reconfiguring the layout of the second floor.
- To authorize the establishment of a Park Street Station Addition Committee and to hire an Architect and Engineer.

It was the general consensus to have warrant articles in 2011 to

- Add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund.
- Build the addition to the Park Street Station based on the Park Street Station Addition Committee's plans.
- Expend funds from the Land & Building Fund for the Park Street Station addition and to authorize the Commissioners to secure funding for the balance of project.

For 2012 it was decided to have a warrant article to add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund.

Tom stated that in 2010 he had a warrant article to authorize the Commissioners to continue working with the Tilton Life Safety Committee and their architects in the design of a fire station to be built at a future date. The cost of the architects would continue to be born by the Town of Tilton. Then in 2012, other than putting \$100,000 in the trust fund, revisit the design of the fire station as completed by the LSC architect and adjust if necessary, update cost of construction as of January 1, 2013, occupy the new addition at the Park Street Station and put one additional man on shift, if that be the wishes of the District by virtue of funding. Sandy agreed with Tom. The plans that are being done right now are not going to cost anything and will be for the future. Kevin asked why we have to officially work with them if they are there regardless. Discussion ensued.

2013 was the most aggressive. It was read in its entirety. It was decided that a warrant article to add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund would be presented. Tom and Sandy are on record as building a new fire station as part of the life safety complex.

In 2014 everyone was in agreement for a warrant article to add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund. Tom stated the only reason he would go along with this is because there is not a consensus of support for the construction of a station in 2013. Tom stated, for the record, he had written to prepare a warrant article to request permission of the body to dispose of the Center Street Station and by what means. Move to the new station and vacate the Center Street Station. If authorized, pursue the disposition of the Center Street Station.

Based on this plan, in 2015 prepare a warrant article to add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund. For the record, Tom was not in favor of this.

In 2016, the consensus was to have warrant articles to

- Add \$100,000.00 to the Land & Building Fund.
- Authorize the establishment of a Building Committee for the study of a new fire station in Tilton.
- Hire an Engineer to draw up the plans and estimate the cost on the recommendation of the Building Committee.

Tom and Sandy were against this as they feel it is too late. They have been in their new station for two years.

Discussion ensued about the areas of the District east of 93.

For 2017 they agreed to have a

- Warrant article to construct a new Fire Station in East Tilton.
- Warrant article to expend the funds in the Land & Building Fund for the Fire Station in East Tilton and to authorize the Commissioners to secure funding for the balance of the project cost.

Kevin asked if anyone wanted to add a trigger. Sandy asked about the safety of the people in Center Street. Wouldn't that be a trigger? Kevin stated they were addressing that this year. Sandy replied that it was just a little bandaid. Discussion ensued about triggers. Paul stated he was under the impression that they were looking in the direction of having Park Street be the headquarters with a substation in East Tilton. Discussion ensued. It was decided that a trigger did not need to be added.

Sandy asked if they were going to approve the minutes from the meeting of November 30, 2009. The majority did not have them.

It was decided that the Committee should issue a report of the process followed by the committee and the results of its study and print this report in the annual Town Report of the respective communities. Kevin and Tom will write the warrant articles and report. The draft of the report will be emailed to everyone for their review. Once approved, the report will be left at the office for all signatures.

It was decided that everyone would sign off on the minutes when they go into the office to sign the report.

Commissioner Gallant made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Waldron seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 19:58 PM.

Minutes transcribed by: Kathy Tobine