

Tilton-Northfield Fire & EMS

2021 Fire Station Building Committee Meeting

Meeting Called By: FSBC

Date, Time: 03/11/24, 5:30 PM

Transcribed By: Courtney Palmer

Location: Tilton Police Station
45 Sanborn Rd.
Tilton, NH 03276
Community Meeting Room

Call to Order

Paul Blaisdell called the meeting to order at 5:38 PM.

Attendance

Commissioner Tim Sattler, Nate Langione, Paul Blaisdell, Dennis Manning, Kevin Waldron, and Chief Michael Sitar.

UNH Survey Center - Sean McKinley

Old Business

The Committee reviewed the revised survey from the UNH Survey Center. Paul requested changes to the introductory paragraphs.

Nate asked if there would be copies available at the fire station and/or the Tilton and Northfield Town Hall. Chief Sitar asked how they would know if someone has submitted more than one survey. Sean responded that they may be able to figure that out based on postage. He commented that they could specify one survey per household instead of per voter to possibly avoid one person taking multiple surveys. Discussion ensued. Paul suggested only having extra copies at the fire station.

Discussion ensued. Revisions and additions to questions were requested.

Paul commented that he would like to keep Sean's contact information on the survey for residents to reach out with questions because it makes it clear that the survey is done by UNH. The verbiage of that section was changed. Sean's contact information and the Chief's will remain on the survey.

Sean commented that the Committee should consider if the questions they are going over are important to their goal. Extensive discussion ensued about each question, what to keep, cut, and revise.

Sean explained the difference between confidential and anonymous surveys. He stated that this survey would be anonymous.

Kevin asked how this survey could be taken by a blind person. Sean responded that they could have a way for them to call in. Discussion ensued.

Chief Sitar asked if he could get a printed copy of the survey once the changes have been made so that he can pass it on to the Fire Commissioners and the Building Committee. Nate would like a final copy digitally before they receive a printed version. Sean responded that they could do that.

District Meeting Presentation

Paul spoke with Commissioner Sattler about the presentation he created on the Building Committee and what they are working on. He stated that Commissioner Sattler thought it would be better to have the presentation posted on the website instead of reading it at the District Meeting. Paul would like the Committee to read and modify it before posting it on the website.

Chief Sitar suggested highlighting points from the presentation and putting the whole document on the website.

Commissioner Sattler suggested adding highlights to a slide and adding that to the Commissioner's slideshow. They would have the slideshow printed for voters, but the Commissioners would not be going over every slide. He discussed what he wanted to include on the slide. Discussion ensued.

The Committee will review the document. It will be posted on the website in time for the District Meeting.

Next Meeting

The next FSBC meeting will be on April 15th, 2024, at 5:30 PM. Paul commented that the Committee could work on space needs for a new station.

The Committee agreed that the Commissioners should approve the final survey.

Paul asked if Chief Sitar could find one call firefighter and one career firefighter to be on the Committee. He requested that the current firefighters on the Committee be removed. He asked for that to be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Minutes

Paul made a motion to accept the 02.26.24 meeting minutes. Commissioner Sattler seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote was taken. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Dennis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paul seconded the motion. There being no discussion, a vote was taken. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Courtney Palmer

Courtney Palmer
Administrative Assistant

Next Meeting Date, Time, Place:

April 22, 2024, 5:30 P.M.
Tilton Town Hall
257 Main Street
Tilton, NH
Downstairs Meeting Room