

Sharon Standing Building Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
March 25, 2014

**Members Present:** Chair Gordon Gladstone, Rick Rice, Tony Branca, Matthew Baldassari, Steve Smith, Roger Thibault, Bill Croteau, Deb Benjamin, Rich Slater and Eric Hooper

**Not Present:** Colleen Tuck

**Others Present:** Mike McKeon of KBA, Fire Chief Jim Wright and Police Chief Joe Berstein

The meeting of the Sharon Standing Building Committee was called to order by Chair Gordon Gladstone at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room at the Community Center.

1. **6:30 p.m. - Administration**

Approval of Minutes

The Regular Session minutes of the Sharon Standing Building Committee meeting of March 11, 2014 held until next meeting.

Future Meetings: April 8 and 22, 2014

3. **DPW Update – Eric Hooper**

DPW Superintendent, Eric Hooper discussed the grading around the building in process, walls are up and garage doors. All is going along well.

4. **Public Safety Building Presentation**

Fire Chief Jim Wright presented a power-point re the Sharon Public Safety Facility Study:

- **Time Line:** 1950-Current Fire Station built as a Fire/Police facility – 1981-New Police facility built and Fire Station renovated – 1988-Fire Sub-Station at Hampton Road (this was not brought to Town Meeting) 2003-Completed Master Plan-identified new combined Public Safety Facility on the Town Hall-SFD site-Plan not financed.
- **Study Process:** Public Safety Feasibility Study Committee held numerous meetings-Analyzed existing conditions at Fire Department, Police Department and Civil Defense-Developed Space Needs Assessment for Fire/Police and evaluated various possible sites.
- **Fire Station Existing Conditions:** Cramped Space – Undersized building – Safety issue-Cross contamination (health risk for firefighters and citizens) – Areas designed for one purpose (now used for numerous tasks)

Police Chief, Joe Bernstein discussed with the SSBC existing conditions of the Police Station.

- **Police Station Existing Conditions:** Inadequate space for two dispatchers – need more privacy – Original no longer an interview room – now used as computer IT area – E011 Equipment housed with generator HVAC – Antiquated heating system – Access limitations for citizens with limited mobility.
- It was recommended by Architects/Engineers that it is not cost effective or operationally effective to renovate/add on to existing facilities – Estimated cost for renovation/addition 14 million dollars.

Mike McKeon distributed to the Committee the following:

**Opinion of Probable Project Cost** (which is attached to these minutes)

Site & Building Construction Cost: \$14,712,000

General Conditions & Overhead: \$3,006,000

Owner's Indirect Costs: \$7,032,000

Total Projected Cost: \$24,750,000

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m. p.m. (Smith/Slater) – unanimous

Submitted:

Linda V. Morse

Sharon Standing Building Committee

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(Gordon Gladstone)      Signature of Chair

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Date of Acceptance

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