

RUSSELL TOWN HALL

February 5, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am. Trustee Mueller and Trustee Port were present.

The following Department Heads were present: Police Chief Tom Swaidner, Fire Chief John Frazier, and Zoning Inspector Shane Wrench.

Fiscal Officer Karen Walder was absent.

Mr. Mueller introduced Mr. Dixon and asked that he go through some of the changes that can be made to the storage building that will reduce the cost, and not the long-term functionality of the building. Mr. Dixon addressed many changes that would lower the cost of constructing the building. He made many comments of not knowing why things were designed the way they were. Mr. Chordar from TC Architect said that the plans were drawn up from the many meetings held with the project team (department heads and Trustee Gabram) figuring out what they wanted to use the building for. Everything in the plans is what the project team told him they wanted.

Mr. Campbell (a resident) also gave the board his opinions on the cost and construction of the building. He thinks the board should be considering a pole barn and not a \$750,000+ building when there is not a clear need for it.

Mr. Chordar advised the board that they were hired not only to do the architecture but also to advise the Board. Mr. Mueller said he wanted to hire Mr. Dixon to be the owner representative in the project going forward. Ms. Port advised that a full board should be present before any decisions were made.

Ms. Port asked TC Architects if they could reach out to the lowest bidder for the project, ask if they will still honor the bid price, and if they would accept a change order if the board decided to modify the building plans. Mr. Mueller instructed TC Architects to make the plan changes, based on Mr. Dixon's recommendations.

Mr. Mueller made the motion to adjourn. Ms. Port seconded the motion and it passed.

The meeting was adjourned 11:56 am.

James Mueller, Chair

Karen Walder, Fiscal Officer

Recorded by: J. Dorka