

Mount Joy Borough Council Building Ad Hoc Committee Meeting Minutes May 16, 2022

The Mount Joy Borough Council Building Ad Hoc Committee held a meeting on Monday, May 16, 2022.

Committee Chair Deering called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Roll Call: Present were Chair Deering, Council President Hall, Councilman Ruschke, Borough Manager Pugliese.

Todd Vukmanic of Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates was also present.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion By Ruschke and Seconded by Hall to approve the agenda for the May 16, 2022 meeting, motion passed.

Public Input:

Brian Youngerman stated that he was excited for the project of a new facility. In order for him to support the efforts, he needs to find value...not cheapest. Youngerman asked the committee has done any analysis of the cost to citizens. He indicated that he was disappointed with regards to the needs assessment as distributed noting that the document was old. He also mentioned that he believes that there is value to have the municipal building on Main Street and the committee should find out what the public has to say.

Council President/Committee Member Hall responded that the committee has looked at the costs and milage, have looked at sites both on and off Main Street and the "needs" are subjective.

Dave Eichler thanked the committee for taking this project on and that he appreciates what the committee is doing. He believes the committee will make the right decisions. He also stated that he believes taxpayers will be ok with increases if something is built that they can be proud of.

Bruce Haigh advised that he took a 30-minute tour through the current building covering every square inch. He noted that there is a functional need for the police department. He mentioned that there is an updated needs assessment from 2021. He does question the 4,000 sq ft of shared space and that the Sally Port to hold 2 cars. He does have some concerns about Grandview including sink holes and buried foundation.

Chairman Deering thank him reiterating that the needs assessment is always being updated.

Approval of the Minutes:

Ruschke made a motion, seconded by Hall to approve the March 21, 2022, Building Ad Hoc Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on Project:

Chair mentioned that at the last Borough Council Meeting, there was discussion as to build a pole barn structure for Parks and move the PD to the Parks Building. Todd Vukmanic briefly went over the needs and what it would cost to build the pole barn and remodel for PD. Cost would be approximately 8.9 million. This would include structural analysis and site development.

Mayor Bradley questioned the cost of new (9.1 Million) vs renovations (8.9 Million).

Vukmanic mentioned that costs could be more during renovation because of unknowns.

Vukmanic further updated the committee on the Grandview property and that costs would come in around 9.3 million.

Recommendations for Council or Authority Board:

Committee recommends that Council be advised that its recommendation would remain at the Grandview Site and that Council proceed with the agreement between Crabtree, Rohrbaugh & Associates dor predesign work including schematic drawings.

Public Input:

Bruce Haigh asked that a geotechnical engineer do site development work during Phase 1.

Dave Eichler stated that Grandview Park use to be a farm that the school district purchased it. He is tired of kicking the stone down the road. What will the situation be in 2024 or 2026?

Brian Youngerman suggested that from a parliamentary standpoint, he would like a vote be taken by Council. He also asked if the Borough is going through the right process. What is the alternative to a needs analysis? Has there been any staff analysis?

Any Other Matter Proper to Come Before Committee

Nothing noted.

Executive Session

Committed adjourned into an Executive Session at 6:45 pm to discuss a real estate issue and came out of at 6:48 pm. No decisions were made

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned ta 6:48 pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 18, 2022, at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Mark G. Pugliese I
Borough Manager/Secretary