

# HINGHAM NORTH STATION BUILDING COMMITTEE

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## **Minutes for Meeting: 7:00 P.M., January 14, 2016**

Members Present: G. MacCune, A. Kearney, N. MacDonald, Chief Olsson, T. Carey, K. Griswold

Town Officials Present: Captain Powers, Lt. Levenson, R. Fernandes

Professional Team: D. Walter, A. Brown, K. Buckley

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM on January 14, 2016, South Hearing Room, on the third floor at Town Hall.

Minutes for the meeting held on December 16, 2015 were approved.

G. MacCune began by reviewing the recently attended Historic Districts Commission Meeting. G. MacCune mentioned that questions have been asked regarding the fire station relocation.

R. Fernandes asked whether the current site does not work due to Fire Department programming needs or because of the poor structural conditions found on site. G. MacCune relayed the Committee's response to poor soil conditions and site constraints being a main contributor. T. Carey indicated that a general consensus from the Building Committee falls in line with the sentiment of the Historic Districts Commission discussed earlier tonight. A new or renovated fire station is no longer an option at the North Street site.

General discussion ensued about alternative sites and whether Dore & Whittier's North Street design could be used at other locations. K. Buckley indicated that there would have to be some alterations made to the current design if a larger site was found but the base design could work.

K. Buckley proceeded to review the project budget. G. MacCune made a recommendation to approve OPM Invoice #2 for the total amount of \$2,475.00 and Designer Invoice #9 for the total amount of \$79,440.14. T. Carey motioned; Chief Olsson seconded; Committee voted unanimously to approve KBA and Dore & Whittier invoices.

G. MacCune continued by reviewing the drafted Town Articles in which a recommendation will be made to expend additional funding for alternative fire station sites. Chief Olsson questioned whether the article should include the South Fire Station as well. G. MacCune confirmed that articles must be submitted by Wednesday, January 20, 2016 in order to be considered for Town Meeting 2016.

Chief Olsson motioned; A. Kearney seconded; Committee voted unanimously to approve the Articles as modified.

A. Kearney asked Dore & Whittier to develop a station design with a three bay configuration as well as five bunk rooms. Chief Olsson reiterated that the fire station should be designed to accommodate the fire department's needs for the next fifty years. Chief Olsson also backed the need for an additional bay based on the fact that Hingham's population and commercial development continues to grow.

General discussion ensued about appointing a new Committee Secretary to replace the recently departed Peter Boyle. Nancy MacDonald was nominated as the new Committee Secretary.

Schedule for the next Building Committee meeting will be determined over the course of the next month. Dore & Whittier will develop a standard station design that can be used as a template for future site studies. The Project Team will also work to develop revised fee proposals for alternative site investigations as the project shifts focus to a new site.

A motion was made by K. Griswold, seconded by Chief Olsson, and unanimously approved to adjourn at 8:12 PM.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by Knight, Bagge & Anderson  
Owner's Project Manager*