

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 22, 2018

TOWN HALL ROOM B2

CALL TO ORDER

Chair B. Weatherall called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. with the following members present: L. Alexson, R. Donahue, P. Dziadose, R. McShera, A. Theriault, and J. Emerson. Absent: P. Polonsky, K. Buhl, Chief P. Nikas, T. Howe, C. Surpitski, H. Schwartz.

CITIZENS' QUERIES

None.

DISCUSSION OF TOWN MEETING VOTE/MOVING ON

Bob W., in the absence of so many members, asked for comments. Rob D. complimented the job that was done at Town Meeting to get the feasibility study accepted at a not-to-exceed \$140,000 in spite of the Fin Com's call for \$100,000. Ryan M. was commended on the pamphlet which was in the hands of Town Meeting attendees who were following along with Bob's dialogue.

Moving on, Rob said he will be working with Chief Nikas to get electronic files of RFPs as samples for preparing one for Ipswich. Familiar with RFPs, he said there might be as many as 75 pages of boiler plate "Acts." Following a summary, specific needs for Ipswich will be listed; that is, response times, location of the facility/facilities. Later, regarding the actual facility, how many and how large the bays need to be, etc. Examining 3-4 actual RFPs will give the Committee ideas and lessen the likelihood of omitting something out of ignorance. In discussion of "coastal sites," Peter pulled up towns south of Ipswich which have done studies including Yarmouth, Chatham, Dennis, and Nantucket as well as Fall River and Salem. Linda asked if earlier studies could help. (In 2002 there was a study of response times. A traffic study of Lord Square to Central St./Manning St. was done in conjunction with the elementary school study just a couple of years ago). Peter also mentioned a Harvard graduate project that Town Planner Gibbs is aware of on town growth/population increase in Ipswich.

Ryan suggested a timeline/schedule to be able to arrive at a time for a Town Meeting vote on the feasibility study. Peter suggested, and the group agreed, that Bob W. should invite the new Town Manager to the next meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Peter moved, seconded by Bob, to approve April 24, 2019, PSFC Minutes. UNANIMOUS.

NEXT MEETING/ADJOURNMENT

June 19, 2018, was set for the next meeting. Rob D. moved, seconded by Ryan M., to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. UNANIMOUS.