

East Side Fire Station Building Committee Regular Meeting

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980 New Haven Avenue, Milford, CT

Tuesday, September 24, 2013

Call to Order: Chairman Healy called the meeting to order at 1852 hours. A quorum was present.

1. **Roll Call**

Committee Members John Healy, Carmen Corvino, William Brennan, Jack Jansen, Judith Toohey, Alderman Phil Vetro, and Bill Bevan. Also present were Chief Douglas Edo, Ret. Battalion Chief William Healey, and Attorney Jeff Donofrio.

2. **Minutes from July 31, 2013 Meeting**
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Committee Members Vetro and Corvino made and seconded a motion to accept the minutes of the July 31, 2013, regular meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

3. **Report of the Chairman**

The Chairman reported the invoice for the bollards that were approved by the Committee earlier in the project needs to be settled tonight. The bollards have been installed.

Chairman Healy said the traffic light is operational but has some issues that Committee Member Brennan will explain. The Chairman said the Committee will discuss the T.V.S.S.s and the U.P.S. later in the meeting.

The Chairman thanked everyone on the Committee for their hard work during this long project.

4. **Executive Session**

- a. To discuss threatened and pending claims

Committee Members Bevan and Vetro made and seconded a motion to enter executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

The Committee invited Chief Edo, Ret. Battalion Chief Healey, and Attorney Donofrio to remain during executive session.

The Committee entered executive session at 1856 hours.

The Committee returned to open session at 2000 hours.

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5. Open Invoices

a. Bollard installation

Committee Member Brennan explained the installation of the five bollards, done by Magna Steel Sales, Inc. The invoice totals \$2,377. He explained the bollards surround the compressed air tanks contained within the apparatus bay. He added the bollards are drilled into the floor and bolted down. Committee Member Bevan inquired if the bollards are secure enough to stop a fire truck. Committee Member Brennan said they are strong enough to serve their purpose to protect the compressed air tanks.

Committee Members Bevan and Toohey made and seconded to pay Magna Steel Sales, Inc., for the bollard installation, totaling \$2,377. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Secretary Fees

Committee Members Vetro and Bevan made and seconded a motion to pay the invoice in the amount of \$50 to Recording Secretary Colleen Birney from account 0040-4320-5527-4168-0000 (secretary). Motion carried unanimously.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey reported Department Maintenance, Ron Veary, has been taking care of open items on the punch list. He noted the only item open at the moment is the meter vault outside that is leaking ground water. Upon the advice of Attorney Donofrio, that item will be left to Salce Contracting to resolve. Ret. Battalion Chief Healey added that Chief Edo was responsible for assigning Mr. Veary to the station.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey said the restroom lighting remains an issue. It has been recommended to change the fixtures in the restroom to resolve this.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey said with winter approaching and the condensing issue outside needs to be resolved. Committee Member Vetro inquired if the condensate unit sits directly on the pavement. Chairman Healy said it does.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey reported Fire Tech has sent over invoices; they have been directed to Salce Contracting.

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Ret. Battalion Chief Healey explained the telephone purchase order was canceled by Salce Contracting, which is why there is a difference in the account numbers as listed in the accounting he presented to the Committee.

6. New Business

a. Installation of a traffic light U.P.S.

Commissioner Brennan said he spoke to KTM at length regarding the U.P.S. He explained with the installation of a U.P.S., only one T.V.S.S. might be required at this point. He informed the Committee that when the generator testing is performed on Wednesdays, the traffic light in front of the station also turns off. He further explained a T.V.S.S. is not required for this portion of the issue; rather, a U.P.S. will handle the traffic light issue. Committee Member Jansen agreed the T.V.S.S. is used to protect against power surges.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey explained the Department pays the electric bill for the station; UI bills separately for the traffic light. In this instance, both the traffic light and the building power are contained in the same bill.

Committee Member Brennan suggested obtaining a U.P.S. and pay KTM directly; the quoted amount is \$7,027.22.

Committee Member Jansen inquired as to who made the decision for the traffic light power to coincide with the building power; Committee Member Brennan said it was DeCarlo & Doll and Salce Contracting that made that decision. Committee Member Jansen commented it should have been known by both parties that this would cause a generator issue.

Committee Member Vetro agreed that was the reason the Committee hired an architect with previous experience in building fire stations.

Committee Members Brennan and Jansen made and seconded a motion to approve and pay for the installation of a U.P.S. by KTM, totaling \$7,027.22. Motion carried unanimously.

b. Installation of a T.V.S.S.

Ret. Battalion Chief Healey reported he obtained a quote from Harborview Electric for two T.V.S.S.s. He explained the reason two are needed is because the station houses two transfer switches. Chairman Healy recommends relying on these professionals that have been consulted. Ret. Battalion Chief Healey noted the quote from Harborview Electric is half the price of another quote obtained. He added that prevailing wage rate was factored in, as per the recommendation of Attorney Donofrio.

Committee Members Vetro and Bevan made and seconded a motion to purchase and install two T.V.S.S.s, to be done by Harborview Electric, totaling \$4,360. Motion carried unanimously.

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Ret. Battalion Chief Healey inquired as to how to remedy the bathroom lighting fixtures. He said Ron Veary had three recommendations: one, change fixture; two, install a regular light switch; and three, live with it.

Chairman Healy noted he was informed by Chief Edo that there is a window of opportunity to have Mr. Veary resolve the issue, and the Committee should take advantage of it.

Committee Members Corvino and Vetro made and seconded a motion to replace two lighting fixtures in the restrooms, in an amount not to exceed \$300. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Adjournment**

Committee Members Bevan and Corvino made and seconded a motion to adjourn at 2030 hours. Motion carried unanimously.

Recorded by C. Birney