



Kewaunee County
PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY NEEDS ASSESSMENT STUDY COMMITTEE
MINUTES

March 12, 2020 4:30 p.m.

County Administration Building, 810 Lincoln Street, Kewaunee, WI 54216
Human Services Training Room

Call to Order: Chair Weidner called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Members Present – Robert Weidner, Doug Doell, Tom Romdenne, Chuck Wagner, Matt Joski, Chris Van Erem, Jason Veese, Scott Feldt, John Cain, Pat Benes, Anne Kulhanek, John Pabich, Sandi Christman

Approval of March 12, 2020 Agenda: Wagner moved, Joski seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

Approval of February 15, 2020 Minutes: Wagner moved, Joski seconded to approve the February 15, 2020 minutes. Motion carried.

Review and Discussion of Interim Presentation: Cain reviewed the updated presentation with the group. The group reviewed cost and staffing projections. Feldt relayed concerns given to him regarding the total project cost. Feldt requested that the project costs be broken into three parts: the housing pod (jail proper); the support services area (kitchen, laundry, booking, etc.); and the Sheriff's Department offices. These specific costs will provide a better perspective as to the cost for each function related to the public safety facility. Discussion followed regarding the various spaces and their inclusion in the project and recommendation by the study committee. Other issues were also discussed. The issue of including a basement was rejected by the committee. The issues of emergency management space and a fleet garage was decided by the committee to still be considered.

Slides outlining financial costs and staffing costs/levels was discussed as to the methodology and accuracy. It was noted that other costs such as maintenance, utilities and insurance was not included in the projections. Other discussion followed regarding a referendum for the project and the timing of said referendum. Pros and cons were discussed as to a November referendum or waiting until a later date. This discussion led to the committee asking what is the next step in the process and how does the committee move forward. Weidner indicated that the committee exists until a new County Board is sworn in and the new Chair decides if the committee should continue. The discussion focuses on phase 3 and whether to move forward. The committee agreed that the group has approved and recommended option 7 to the County Board, therefore phase 2 is essentially completed except for a presentation to the Board. Discussion followed on how to inform the current and future board members. A special meeting was decided on for April 14. Joski moved and Doell seconded to accept Phase 2 of the project recommend to the Executive Committee and County Board to accept the proposal (option 7) and move on to Phase 3. Motion carried.

Other Discussion Items: None



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Next Meeting: There will be no meeting until the new County Board is inducted and the new Chair decides whether to continue the committee and appoint members. A special meeting the current and incoming County Board members was tentatively schedule for April 14 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment: Wagner moved and Benes seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.