



DPW BUILDING COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 12, 2025  
7:00 PM  
475 MAIN STREET  
FAULKNER ROOM, 204

Present: Dean Charter, Corey York, Adam Nolde, Greg Jarboe, Ann Chang, Tom Doolittle, Thomas Begin

Additional Attendees: John Comeau and Della Donahue from Weston & Sampson; Kevin Weeks from PMA Associates;

Dean Charter, Chair of the DPW Building Committee, called the meeting to order at 7:01pm and read the agenda into record.

### **PROJECT UPDATES**

John Comeau, Weston & Sampson, providing an update on the project, He discussed the most recent project estimates, providing line item details. He reviewed the value engineering efforts to date the project team has undertaken. He reviewed each item that has been reduced, providing details and explanation on its impact to design. He further explained that the estimated value of accepted value engineered items total \$8.5M. He explained that items that were valued engineered could be added back into the project as bidding add alternatives and depending on bid totals, could be added into the final construction. He provided a highlighted floor plan showing reduction in footprint and areas of the building that have been eliminated through the value engineering process.

Committee members discussed these reductions, asking for opportunities to add items back into the current design and project total. Discussion regarding reduced garage space, mezzanine storage areas, and reduced office space. DPW Director Corey York discussed the operational effects of these changes to the garage space and staffing areas.

Committee members discussed the elimination of the wash bay area, expressing a hope to have that included in the final construction either through adding it back into the project design or added through bid alternatives.

Finance Committee member Greg Jarboe expressed his concerns with this project moving forward at this time due to financial impacts and political concerns through the community. He discussed his concerns with impacts from tariffs and the effects they will have on steel costs.

Members of the community provided feedback and statements regarding the current design, value engineering efforts, lack of sidewalks along Forest Road, and recommendations on design that could be incorporated into a future design.

Mr. Charter provided updates on presentations to community members and boards, indicated this topic remains on the Select Board agenda for routine updates to members.

Committee members discussed potential future meetings, identifying April 2<sup>nd</sup> as the ideal date. Weston & Sampson indicated updated project costs will be ready at that time.

*Mr. Adam Nolde moved to adjourn at 8:35 pm; Mr. Jarboe seconded the motion; the Committee voted 7-0-0 in favor.*