

Town of Washington
Infrastructure Committee Meeting Minutes from 1/26/2015

1. Call meeting to order was at 1030 hrs by John Rader- Chair, at the Washington Island Fire Department.
 - A) Present: John Rader-Chairman, Fire Chief Peter Nehlsen, Police Chief Tyler McGrane, EMS Crew Chief Gary Schultz, Jonathan Mann-Hwy Dept., Ted Jorgenson, Ron Overdahl. Joel Gunnlaugsson – Town Chairman Guests: Kelly Claflin & Jim Wilke of Keller Inc., Valerie Carpenter, Jerry Rupiper, and Tom & Linda Taylor
2. Approval of amended minutes from last meeting – One correction made, Motion by Peter Nehlsen, seconded by Ted Jorgenson.
3. Discussion: John Rader stated he was still waiting on feedback on financing with different scenarios. Rader also asked Kelly Claflin on operational costs for a building of the proposed size. Claflin gave a few ideas, but were not the same as our structure. Claflin stated the estimate proposed is based on building in 2015 and history has shown that the project costs go up 5% each year. Claflin stated that he estimated on the high side, and that you don't want to go back to the community for additional funding. Ron Overdahl asked about needs assessment that was conducted. Claflin stated they met with the end users to find out what it takes to do their business. Jim Wilke stated they designed the building from the department heads perspective and guidance from their expertise as far as typical size, site location, etc. Tyler McGrane asked for the square footage of the EMS area which was provided later at 3102 sq.ft. Ted Jorgenson asked Kelly if he was confident on cost to building structure. Kelly stated they felt very good on price and should be on the high range. Kelly stated they contacted their steel provider, material suppliers, mechanical contractors, ferry line, and the local concrete contractor. Kelly also stated to reduce the cost of the project is to reduce size of building. Ron Overdahl asked about the possibility of the town shop moving to the airport building and use the old town highway building as cold storage for the fire department. Joel Gunnlaugsson stated that maybe the town shop could move to the landfill or the airport and should be explored. Jim Wilke stated they can scale back the project if requested and could design a second building at different locations. Jim explained the costs wouldn't go down by moving the same square foot building to another location. Tyler McGrane commented that by placing all four departments under one roof is the lowest cost for the tax payer. Kelly agreed that building one building was your lowest cost. Kelly agreed that they would design a new town shop at a different location at no cost to the town at this time, anything after we'd have to talk. Joel Gunnlaugsson discussed if Door County EMS is in the loop on our plans and that they

should be. Gary Schultz stated that discussion has been made with Dan Williams but nothing in great detail.

4. Public comment: Valerie Carpenter asked about what goes where in each room and Claflin stated that 3D renderings will be provided to the public as it goes forward to a vote. Rader stated that the digital copies of the plans could be placed in the town office, library and maybe someplace else for the community to look at. Valerie questioned that if Door County Sheriff would assist in funding also and McGrane stated he'll look into it.
5. Next meeting: February 16th, 2015 at 1600
6. Adjournment at 1139 hrs was by Peter Nehlsen and seconded by Gary Schultz.

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