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MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF SELECTMEN

December 4, 1975

Present: Carl N. Otte
 A. Reed Hayes
 Joel N. Davis

A presentation was given by Gregory Curtis, Chairman of the Firehouse Building Committee, to the combined Boards of Finance and Selectmen. The proposed firehouse would cost nearly \$480,000 to erect on a site owned by Mr. Austin Ackerman (which has 125' frontage and a depth of 570'; @ 1 3/4 acres). We have an option on the site which is renewable in April, 1976. The proposed building itself has a 70' frontage and 80' depth, 11,000 square feet. Parking would be available for 80 cars, behind the building. The breakdown on building costs is as follows:

@ 263,000	basic building cost
@ 37,000	mechanical
@ 38,000	plumbing
@ 46,000	electrical
@ 22,000	other (well, drainage of site, etc.)
406,573	total cost
15,000	land
36,500	architectural fees (9%)
	5% contingency fee. If not spent,
	goes to equipment
<u>478,492</u>	
\$480,000	the rounded figure

The already erected firehouse in North Madison most closely resembles this proposal than any other in the area.

The building would likely be strictly regulated as far as public use for social functions.

The facing of the proposed building is concrete block faced with antique white brick. The proposed plan would mean only one firehouse in Durham - no auxiliary units. It would also meet requirements set forth by the Emergency Operations Plan for a central place to be used in case of townwide emergencies.

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The action to proceed toward building this proposed firehouse is first taken to town meeting (tentative date, second Monday in January - January 12) and if approved, no sooner than 30 days would go to referendum.

The First Selectman will check to see if there is a chance for federal funding.

1. RESOLVED, that the Board of Selectmen will call a Special Town Meeting in January to seek the authorization to conduct a referendum on the construction of a firehouse.

Vote 3-0

2. RESOLVED, to refer back to the bidders on towing of town vehicles and illegally parked vehicles for more specific information.

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3. RESOLVED, to table making repairs to town trucks. It will be further discussed with the Board of Finance.

Vote 3-0

4. READ letter from Ms. Olive Sheehan, Executive Director, Office of Manpower Training, explaining why the position of constable has been deleted from the Town of Durham's CETA program. A. Reed Hayes volunteered to pursue the matter and was authorized by the Board of Selectmen to write to Mrs. Sheehan or in any way make further appeal.

Vote 3-0

5. RESOLVED, to revise the pay scale of the snow plowing crew in the following way:

\$.50 hr. differential shift premium for the 3:30-12 midnight shift

\$1.00 hr. differential shift premium for the 12-7:00 A.M. shift

Starting hour during the winter months is set at 7:00 A.M.

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6. RESOLVED, that the policy regarding the use of the pick-up truck shall remain the same, which is to keep the pick-up garaged at the Town Garage after the working day except by authorization of the First Selectman.

Vote 3-0

7. RESOLVED, to conclude the financial transactions on the Wilkinson property by making final payment of \$14,552 and securing release of the mortgage note dated November 12, 1970.

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