

Municipal Building Working Group
Thursday December 11, 2014
Steele Block – 2nd Floor Conference Room

Present: A. Nelson, B. DeLaBruere, J. Quinn, B. Farr, M. Kasamatsu, H. Grenier, K. Miller, C. Viens, A. Tuscany, W. Shepeluk, and C. Lawrence.

The meeting commenced at 1:00pm.

This was the first meeting for ReArch to present the project budget and give the committee an opportunity to go through the numbers to determine where to reduce the scope, if necessary.

B. DeLaBruere has reviewed the design development drawings and provided a detailed estimate on each component. He priced the mechanical and electrical systems, and the site work. His estimates showed that the building has grown 3% since January. There is also a 15% increase in parking, and more surface area of sidewalks. B. DeLaBruere distributed the initial estimate and indicated that it is 10% over budget.

B. DeLaBruere went through the estimate and some areas where savings might occur were identified. A. Nelson and B. DeLaBruere will develop a list of areas of opportunity for potential savings. It was decided that a meeting with the Select Board on December 15th would be premature. W. Shepeluk suggested that A. Nelson and B. DeLaBruere look at the costs globally, and then the group could follow up looking at the interior fit up and layout.

There was continued discussion as to how to present to the information to the Select Board. C. Viens offered to work with A. Nelson and B. DeLaBruere to try to locate some savings.

H. Grenier asked if the library should price furniture they might need, including the circulation desk, from the Department of Corrections. A. Nelson stated that he is open to suggestions for cost savings and can evaluate ideas for same. W. Shepeluk stated that the group needs to think about the aesthetics of the building before taking some things out of the budget.

The Historical Society has requested special items including track lighting and a security system. Clarification is needed as to whether these items will be paid from Historical Society funds.

H. Grenier asked if there would be security cameras at the construction site. Materials should be fenced in and tools locked, and the police can provide a presence.

The working group will meet next on Tuesday December 23rd at 1:00pm. The plan is to present the budget at the January 5th Select Board meeting.

The meeting ended at 2:35pm.