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NORTHFIELD CENTER TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES WORK SESSION Wednesday, February 2, 2022- 5:00 PM

The public was notified of this work session by Facebook, Twitter, Community Focus, an e-mail Sunshine Law Notice to the Meeting Notification List , information placed on the Township's website, and the electronic sign.

The purpose of this work session is to discuss:

- the current scope of the Safety and Administration Center, including any alternatives provided by Infinity Construction
- the exhaust system replacement from current to new Safety and Administration Center
- opportunities to add back value engineering items into the project
- re-amortization of the bond issuance for possible waiver of 2022 debt service to alleviate budget constraints
- ARPA funds and the definite amounts that can be allocated to the project
- Thrasher traffic recommendations and possible solutions

THE CHAIR CALLS THE WORK SESSION TO ORDER AT 5:04 P.M.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola, aye; Richard H. Reville, aye; Richard A. Patz, aye.

Discussion:

Trustee Mazzola began by discussing the exhaust system. The plan was for the current system to be moved from the current building to the new building. Most of the cost of the \$24,000.00 estimate would be labor.

Trustee Reville explained that most of it is PVC piping, with drops on it. The trucks can be hooked up to the piping. The outside motor would need to be moved. The rest is tubing and drops. He did not look at the current system at the existing station.

Trustee Mazzola said that Chief Ripley was skeptical of the township taking the exhaust system down ourselves.

Trustee Reville felt that NCT could take it down and have a contractor install it at the new building.

Trustee Mazzola said the warranty on the current system is 5 years. A new system would come with better fan and rail upgrades; it also comes with a new warranty. He's concerned with putting old stuff in a new building. A decision needs to be made on this, as well as the alternates that Infinity provided including driveway improvements, windows on the bays, electronics, etc.

Trustee Reville said Trustee Patz was told that full glass windows lose heating. He thought 2 or 3 rows on the front, a row on the back.

Trustee Mazzola questioned the need for windows on the back of the building.

Trustee Reville thought it would be good for natural light.

Trustee Patz, speaking about the exhaust system, felt that trying to retro fit something ends up costing more money.

Trustee Mazzola agreed with Mr. Patz on the retro fitting.

Trustees agreed that more research needed to be done on the exhaust system situation.

Trustee Mazzola reviewed the list of alternates. He said that a lot of them are technology based. He asked how many cameras the board thought would be needed, including exterior and interior cameras. He also reviewed other alternates and discussed them with the Trustees, including Cat6 network cables, A/V displays, and a paging system. If the new building is already hardwired, an IT person can help with installation at a more economical price. There are 26 locations in the building needing technology.

Trustee Patz wondered how good the wireless performance would be in a steel building.

Trustee Reville said that there were pros and cons to wireless cameras vs. a hardwired camera. That's a question that needs to be addressed.

Both Trustees Reville and Patz would like interior cameras in the building.

Trustee Mazzola said that Chief Ripley felt that we could get cameras purchased and mounted for much less than the price of \$26,000.00 on the alternate list; felt the board should decline that item. He also said Chief Ripley felt that the hi def display and mount in day and fitness rooms should be declined. Single zone paging system should also be declined, per Chief Ripley. Trustee Reville said the phones are plug and play, can be moved from current to new building.

Trustee Mazzola discussed the A/V system in the multi-purpose room. He told Infinity that we would like to have power so the Cat6 26 drops could work.

The Trustees felt that a PVZ camera isn't needed in the multipurpose room.

Trustee Mazzola mentioned the alternate to repave the driveway. Trustee Reville suggested using Mid-Ohio Asphalt or Infinity Paving instead. It's not a huge project.

Trustee Mazzola then listed the items taken out of the project. He suggested the Trustees review the list and see if there's anything they feel should be included in the project. He said that some of the items are back in scope, including independent concrete curbs. The County said no to the elimination, we must have them. Some items eliminated including appliances, enclosed dumpster, landscaping, and concrete pavement; the Trustees would like additional information on that. A call to Brady Oakes explained that we're getting heavy duty asphalt instead of concrete, saving \$24,500.00. Two exterior cameras were also eliminated. Other items were also on the list of eliminations.

Trustee Mazzola discussed a new signal at W. Highland and Olde Eight at the cost of \$250,000.00 and localized pre-emptive systems and the cost for each truck. The turning radius is acceptable for the biggest truck that Macedonia owns.

Trustee Mazzola covered re-amortization of the bond. He talked to the bank about starting payments next year. He discussed the bond, spoils, the cost of plumbing and supply chain issues. Payments would start in 2023. ARPA funds of approximately \$600,000.00 will be used for infrastructure. Funds cannot be used toward debt. He wants to do the building correctly the first time, so there are no regrets or second thoughts later.

Trustee Reville mentioned road opening permits for the sewer and water lines.

Trustee Mazzola said the project is around \$130,000.00 over budget. Also had to pay around \$20,000.00 to the nature conservancy, and \$9,000.00 to Davey. The board has some flexibility; needs to figure out how to use the ARPA funds.

Jim Honsberger said that he took care of the plot plans for the lots.

Trustee Reville said Phase II of drilling is done, and the release of the easement for the property next to the town hall will be signed.

THE CHAIR REQUESTS A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT at 6:27 pm.

Trustee Patz moves, Trustee Reville seconds.

Roll Call: Russell F. Mazzola, aye; Richard H. Reville, aye; Richard A. Patz, aye.

Russell Mazzola, Chair

Andrew LaGuardia, Fiscal Officer