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**Bear Creek Township Special Board Meeting
February 1, 2023**

Called to order at 6:25 p.m.

Roll Call: Keiser, Hoffman, Golding, Urman, Radatovich

Purpose of Meeting: Click Rd Fire Station

Serenity Dankert shared that Fred Campbell is working on our plan. He will be determining the size of the exercise room based on the equipment list that Al provided. She noted that they will include an alternate when it goes out to bid to add another bay to the south end of the building. She sent Fred the topographical survey. Dankert asked if the board finalized the possibility of a parks maintenance person. Keiser clarified that if we were to do that, the employee would work out of this office. Dankert continued to say that they added columns along the center of the building. She noted that there is a way to get the metal building reaction before ordering, and it would cost approximately \$5,000-7,000. The benefit of this would be that all bidders would be bidding on the final design.

Al Welsheimer noted that if you clear span the building, there will be no where to put electrical outlets in the center. These columns will have water, power, and air. Dankert noted that there are four columns. She asked if we can have columns in the meeting room. Radatovich told her that was fine.

Dankert explained that there will be an alternative bid for stone wainscot on the north and west side of the building. This will allow the board to decide based on cost. Campbell will also be providing color renderings soon.

Urman does not want columns in the meeting room. He asked about the roof pitch, and wants a more residential look and not a 2x12 pitch. Dankert noted that they added 2ft overhangs and suggested a 4x12 pitch, as it would help with snow load. Keiser suggested 16-18in overhangs. Dankert noted it will likely be between 12-18in. Urman does not want to go less than 18in.

Keiser asked if the posts can be buried in the walls near the kitchen or bathroom area. Dankert noted that the restroom area will be fine, but it will be difficult to hide columns near the exercise room. However, she may be able to move the door around to make it work.

Urman would like to see a 4x12 pitch or a 6x12 pitch. Keiser noted that we have a height restriction and he does not want to ask for variances. Dankert noted that it would still meet the height requirement up to a 5x12 pitch. She can price it out each way and we can decide. Keiser would like to see a minimum of a 4x12 pitch.

Dankert noted that the front vestibule will be closed and dressed up. Keiser noted that the posts will be wrapped. Urman asked if they will be painted. Keiser feels that steel columns do not look good and thinks they should be wrapped. Radatovich wants this to be a low maintenance building. She asked if we need to start gathering information on what needs to go inside the building (etc. computer equipment, security cameras, etc) so that we can get a budgeting number.

Dankert asked if the township has a preference for heating and cooling. Welsheimer confirmed that it will be in floor heat in the fire hall and forced air and AC in the rest of the building. Dankert asked about the electrical system. Urman noted that it will be a 3-phase service and it will be up to the electrical contractor. Dankert asked if we would like security cameras. Radatovich noted that we will need security cameras, a cell booster, and data drops throughout. Dankert asked if we would like lightening protection. Welsheimer suggested that we follow the electrical engineer's guidance on that. Dankert asked if we would like a backup generator. Keiser noted that we would. He asked if the board could meet again at the end of February. Dankert will get the information to Campbell so that we can meet.

Hoffman would like to see the conceptual drawings and estimated cost. Dankert noted that we will have drawings soon, but the cost will be awhile.

Urman asked if it would be cheaper to have in floor heat throughout. Dankert noted that there are thresholds before you have to increase boiler size. Urman asked about upgrading the windows; he feels the proposed windows are too small.

Request from the Floor/Discussion: None

Other Business: None

Adjournment: 6:54p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Emma Radatovich

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