

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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August 28, 2017

7:10 p.m. A special meeting of the Board of Selectmen was convened by Chairman Marianne Cooley at the Hillside Elementary School. Present were Mr. Daniel Matthews, Mr. Maurice Handel, Mr. Matt Borrelli, and Town Manager Kate Fitzpatrick.

7:10 p.m. **Public Safety Facilities** – Ms. Cooley welcomed the neighbors who attended the meeting to hear about the proposed construction of the Public Safety Building.

Ms. Fitzpatrick outlined the history of the project, noting that there had been three feasibility appropriations, and that Kaestle Boos had been selected as the designer. She said that an appropriation for design will be presented to the October 2, 2017 Special Town Meeting, and that construction funds would be sought in the fall of 2018. A debt exclusion override is planned in November, 2018. She outlined the phases of the project.

Michael McKeon, project architect, showed a PowerPoint presentation outlining the programming and discussed the process by which the program and the size and configuration had developed. He showed a perspective of what the building might look like.

Questions from residents included the size of the structure, the exterior treatment and finishes, the type of landscaping contemplated, whether equipment would continue to be dispatched onto Chestnut Street, whether the facility contemplated a more gender-balanced workforce in the future, how drainage would be handled, and what green building elements were included.

Ms. Cooley thanked the residents who attended and reiterated that the Town understands that the neighborhood has seen its fair share of development. She said that residents could contact the Town Manager with any questions or concerns, and that they would be notified about opportunities to be heard during the permitting process.

8:15 p.m. **Motion: Mr. Handel moved that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Matthews seconded the motion. Unanimous: 4-0.**