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A Special Project Meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of New Castle Fire District No. 1 was held at 491 King Street, Chappaqua, New York on the 11th of August, 2025 commencing at 6:00pm.

Present

Dwight Smith, Chairman
Edwin Frank, Commissioner
Charles Rauch, Commissioner
Michael Soldo, Commissioner
Nancy Zezze, Commissioner

Also Present

Christine Dennett, Secretary

Absent

Greg Bologna, Treasurer

Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Joe Mendez led the *Pledge of Allegiance* and the Board held a moment of silence for all the deceased members.

OACM Update

Redi Gjecka of Triton Construction gave an update of the project.

- Key Construction will be reminded that the two week look ahead needs to be submitted when the payment apps were submitted.
- A credit for the upstairs heater cabinet was issued.
- There are two extra masons onsite.
- Work is ongoing on the piers on the south side of the site. The decking is next.
- The mock up is done with the common bond. Key Construction quoted \$60,000 for the change order and Wendel was trying to have that reduced.
- Talt Electric will be installing the utility pole shortly.

- The next Planning Board submission date is August 25th for the September meeting. The red lights should be part of the submission.
- Sprinklers for the existing building need to be determined. The Board discussed a number of concerns including whether it would be its own bid, potential design documents and flow pressure.
- The potential sale of Senter Street and a timeline needs to be discussed.
- The sprinkler system design by Gerard is approximately \$30,000.
- Triton will assist with the RFP for asbestos testing, monitoring and abatement if needed.
- Key Construction is pricing the "M Seal" waterproofing.
- Key Construction charged \$1,261 for 3 cubic yards for the planter. Triton has requested they absorb the cost.
- Master Budget provided. \$105,941 left in contingency. The amounts left in the contractor allowances were reviewed. The electrical bill for the trailer was requested.

The Board discussed the common bond versus a running bond on the building façade.

Commissioner Zezze stated this should have been caught by the Architects.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rauch, seconded by Commissioner Soldo, the Board voted unanimously to not continue the common bond on the new building and keep the running bond for cost savings with a vote of 5-0.

- Chief Eiden stated having only 23 gear racks on the main floor and the rest on the mezzanine was a major issue. The Board requested Triton and Wendel look into changing the layout and get pricing on 18" lockers to allow for more on the first floor.
- The bailout window height would be discussed with Bob Mitchell and the Chiefs to clear up issues.
- Breakthrough into the existing building would be after the roof trusses were installed.
- The window and demo work would be discussed with the Chief to determine the best option to keep away from the apparatus.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Commissioner Soldo, seconded by Commissioner Zezze, the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the special meeting at 7:21 pm with a vote of 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Dennett
Fire District Secretary