

professionals as necessary to refine and develop the initial findings of the Fire Space Needs Committee prioritizing the development of plans for the Atherton Street and the Central Fire Station while studying alternative sites for the East Milton firehouse, including property not currently owned by the town, that will not impact the current Milton Art Center and the surrounding residential neighborhood.”

VOTED. The Town voted No.

VOICE VOTE

The Moderator declared the motion was defeated.

ARTICLE 14 To see if the Town will vote to establish a Fire Station Building Committee and to fund this Committee so that a study of the existing operations and conditions of the three existing Milton Fire Department Stations can be created. The committee will be charged to:

-Solicit and retain services of an architectural firm and/or other consultants and professionals as necessary to refine and develop the initial findings of the Fire Space Needs Committee. The present Fire Space Needs Committee has been funded to date through the generosity of private donations.

- The design professional shall be charged to review the existing conditions at three fire stations, including analysis of existing and proposed sites for their ability to support the present and anticipated needs of the Town.
- Analyze the functional and space needs and program for each station based on Committee and Fire Department input and current industry standards and best practices for community fire and emergency preparedness.
- Compare the relative advantages, disadvantages and associated costs of renovation/additions vs. new construction for each station
- Develop conceptual plans and narrative descriptions sufficient to establish possible project costs and schedules for any necessary improvements.

-To see if the Town will vote to authorize its Boards, Commissions and Committees, including without limitation the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Department, to apply for state and/or federal funds to assist and/or to reimburse the Town in connection with any of the foregoing; to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept grants, gifts, or donations on behalf of the Town for the purposes of this article; and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by borrowing under any applicable provisions of law or otherwise; and to act on anything relating thereto.

And to fund this work the Town will appropriate the sum of \$2,000,000.00 from the general fund to support the Committee in its effort for Architectural and Engineering, Project management and Construction Administration Fees to renovate, replace and/or construct fire station facilities in the Town of Milton.

VOTED. The Town voted to authorize the Moderator to appoint a Fire Station Building Committee consisting of nine (9) members; and to fund this Committee to allow review of the existing study by the Fire Space Needs Committee of the existing operations and conditions of the three existing Milton Fire Department Stations. The committee will be charged to solicit and retain services of an architectural firm and/or other consultants and professionals as necessary to refine and develop the initial findings of the Fire Space Needs Committee. The present Fire Space Needs Committee has been funded to date through the generosity of private donations. The design professional shall be charged to:

- Review the recently completed study of the three fire stations, including analysis of existing and proposed sites.
- Investigate, find, propose and seek funds for the renovation and construction of the three Milton Fire Stations.
- Develop design plans and specifications sufficient for bidding and to develop projected project cost estimates and schedules.
- Compare the relative advantages, disadvantages and associated costs of renovation/ additions vs. new construction for each station.

And it is further recommended that the Town vote to authorize its Boards, Commissions and Committees, including without limitation the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Department, to apply for state and/or federal funds to assist and/or to reimburse the Town in connection with any of the foregoing; to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept grants, gifts, or donations on behalf of the Town for the purposes of this article; and to determine how such appropriation shall be raised, whether by borrowing under any applicable provisions of law or otherwise.

And it is further recommended that to begin funding this work with an initial investment to support the Committee in its efforts, the Town appropriate the sum of \$40,000 to be raised from funds certified by the Department of Revenue as free cash.

VOICE VOTE

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting to May 2, 2017 at Milton High School Auditorium at 7:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Susan M. Galvin
Town Clerk