Town of Groton – Building Committee

January 16, 2020

In Attendance: Robert (Bubba) Ellis, Rick Belanger, Ann Joyce (meeting minutes).

Absent: Dave Madden, Kristina Brodie, John Rescigno, Steven (Slim) Spafford & Gary Easson.

Audience members present: Mike Ethier & Doug Millett.

Meeting Commenced 7:00 PM.

Mike Ethier & the highway department cleared the lot to the lot line of brush. Mike did some digging on the site checking for ledge. Bubba thought we would ask for \$100,000 in 2021 for the salt/sand shed to be built. Mike Ethier suggested asking for \$150,00-\$200,00 to do the whole pour at one time & figure out the drainage. The building itself is not changing except the office would be located on the opposite end. The building totals will be 130 X 40 because the salt/sand shed will be attached. The salt shed will need plywood on the walls due to the corrosive nature of the salt on concrete. A suggestion was made to possibly add 10 feet with an open area with a roof overhead to keep items out of the weather & separate the sand/salt shed from the garage area. It is questionable whether there is enough room to add the additional footage. The original design called for 10 feet to be above ground but due to the ledge it looks like it would be closer to 14 feet. The high side of the lot has Green Acres with a right of way access point, approach Green Acres with a plan that the town would put in their driveway if the DPW could also access the driveway. The right of way for Green Acre is across from the lower driveway of the transfer station. The town would still be responsible to put in the actual driveway that was approved by the state. The back of the site is bleeding water. When the drainage system is being done attempt to have the water flow down towards the area where the town pound so a fire pond could be installed. The money spend so far has been money well spent. A couple more phases of \$5,000 would clarify issues that have cropped up. We have saved between \$50,000-\$60,000 with the way we are working on the site.

Bad drainage on the site will need stone to compensate, the dirt on the site is junk so fill will need to be trucked in. All doors would be in the front of the building. Steel I-beam on top of the wall for the roof. 16-foot walls, roof gambrel, 6-foot section & a 16-foot span. The salt/sand shed would be 40 x 40. Down the line a regulation is coming that salt/shed need to be contained because of fugitive dust.

Bubba will draw something up & bring to the next committee meeting to show the Towns people what the building will look like. Bubba will draw up the building & show it to an engineer to see how much dead man walls are needed. The building would have radiant heat in the floor which is very cost efficient. Radiant heat in the current garage costs approximately \$3,600 a year.

The back wall will need the latest concrete that can keep water out of the building as the building will be set into the ground.

Question was raised about only having two twenty-two feet doors instead of four sixteen feet doors.

Meeting Adjourned 7:02PM.

Next Meeting Feb 11, 2020 6PM.