

**Sweden Fire Station Building Committee Report**  
**September 9, 2008**  
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**Present:**

*Members:* Wolfgang Duve, Julie McQueen, Wayne Miller,

**Absent:** Patrick Wood, John P. Smith, Bill Morrisseau

*Public & Guests:* 9:10 Warren Noble, Heather Hoover

**Assignments from the July 10, 2007 meeting:**

- Ted Harris is to make an inquiry with Maine DOT regarding the acquisition/storage of excess fill required for site work. Warren Noble has received some paperwork on this subject as of the April 22, 2008 meeting. The Committee has not received it as of September 9, 2008.

These notes are not necessarily in the order in which things were discussed. They are loosely organized by topic.

**Meeting Notes:**

- Wolfgang called the meeting to order at 9 am.
- The Committee discussed the latest plan as discussed at the June 17th meeting. A 44 X 62 or 64 ft (decision would depend on what the engineer determined was optimal).
- The engineer thinks this could be done for under \$200,000 complete; but of course the project would actually have to go out to bid.
- Julie spoke with Ron Sislane from the Sweden Community Church who said that the well that the Town office uses is now deeded to the Town. The Church has retained the right to use the well should they ever build a kitchen.
- Julie spoke with Ken Forde who did some research regarding the well for us. The well is 342 ft. deep. Ken spoke with Larry Keene of Casco who checked the well a few years ago. The water is not clear but is okay to drink. Larry pumped the well but it never ran dry so in his opinion there should be adequate water for bathrooms, etc. for a Fire Station.
- Wolfgang announced that this will be his last meeting. He plans to attend the Selectman's meeting tonight and tender his resignation. The Committee thanks him for his years of service; especially as Chairman.
- Wolfgang would like to produce a summary of the whole thing -sort of a short version of the Information Meeting that would fit into a pamphlet.
- There was some discussion of engineering for the proposed building.
- Wolfgang would like to see lateral bracing between the walls and the roof.
- The lean-to should be an integral part of the building construction.
- A 6 ft. girder should be considered between the wall (that separates the garage part from the lean-to part) and the back of the building.
- Wolfgang spoke with a representative of Maine-Wide who thinks a 62' X 70' building with a 4 ft. concrete foundation, a concrete floor, 2 X 6 construction with a 12 ft lean-to, 14 ft garage ceiling, 3 steel garage doors for \$150,000 - \$160,000. This would include no electrical or plumbing. A smaller building (the newest proposal by the committee) would cost less.
- A fund for donations was established several years ago.

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- Discussed the need for a 4 ft. high concrete wall around the perimeter of the building. Most Fire Stations include it now.
- Mrs. Shane offered to help with grant writing at the August 26, 2008 Selectman's meeting. Should the Committee find any grants for which to apply, the committee will certainly consider contacting Mrs. Shane and appreciates her offer.
- Letter that committee agreed to send at the June 17<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding a smaller building option to be proposed by the committee was signed and left for the Selectmen.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.
- The Committee wishes to thank Wolfgang again for his service.