



**FIRING RANGE BUILDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
JUNE 16, 2020
6:00 P.M.**

1. Meeting Called to Order

Chairman Vinnie Loffredo called Meeting to Order.

Members Present: Councilman Vinnie Loffredo, Chairman
Councilman Darnell Ford
Fire Chief Robert Kronenberger
Councilman Philip Pessina
Deputy Chief of Police Michael Timbro
Barbara McAuliffe

Members Absent: Jennifer Mahr
Joseph Bibisi

Staff Present: Captain John Lozefski, MPD
Lieutenant Michael DeSena, MPD
Christopher Holden, Public Works

Guests Present: Brant Elwell, TRS Range Services
Richardson Price, F.B.I.

At this time, after Chairman Loffredo inquired as to Joseph Bibisi's status as a member of the Firing Range Building Committee (FRBC); it was established that a follow-up needed to occur. Councilman Pessina said he would reach out to him and get back to the FRBC.

2. Approval of the Minutes (February 18, 2020)

Councilman Pessina moved to approve the FRBC Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2020; Seconded by Fire Chief Kronenberger. Chairman Loffredo noted that (*Recording Secretary*) Rosa noted the next FRBC Meeting as Tuesday, July 17, 2020. (**Note: This was an error. The actual date is at the end of these Minutes.**) Deputy Chief Timbro abstained. There being no further discussion or objection, Motion approved.

3. Public Comment Opens

None

4. Old Business

a) F.B.I. Update

Mr. Holden gave a synopsis regarding what has occurred since last February, prior to the pandemic, i.e., getting the Firing Range Study completed; that they're still working on Agreement/Reimbursement MOU between the City and the F.B.I.; and what the funding and improvements may look like in the future.

Agent Price stated that the \$30,000.00 reimbursement is ready to go and the MOU is completed. He said that due to the F.B.I. not spending a lot of money for a couple of months, their Facilities Division said there's a possibility they could do a "Bid Bill" approach and explained what that was. He added that the F.B.I. is asking for a (3) to four (4) weeks 'pause' before they determine if they're going to go with Plan A, the Feasibility Study for \$30,000.00; or Plan B, the "Bid Bill" approach, explaining that "Middletown has this much money; the F.B.I. has an equal amount, possibly a little more", and then they see which range company wants to take that on. A Q&A/discussion followed.

4. Old Business (cont'd)**a) F.B.I. Update**

Mr. Elwell stated that TRS Range Services submitted a proposal to Captain Lozefski and that it entails a full solution for the Range. After another Q&A/Discussion, Chairman Loffredo said they won't be making any decisions at this meeting; and, instead, will wait until the next FRBC Meeting on July 21, 2020, to see what the F.B.I. has decided.

5. New Business**a) TRS Presentation**

Mr. Holden explained the differences between Plan A and Plan B. After a brief discussion, it was determined that Captain Lozefski had given Mr. Holden the TRS' Proposal document; and that Mr. Holden would send it to the FRBC members.

TRS then proceeded with their presentation where it included a Q&A/Discussion. After the presentation, it was stated that they could begin two (2) weeks after the award; and that depending on recommendations and conversations with acoustical engineers, etc., it could take approximately one (1) month to complete.

b) Report of Range Activity/Standard Officer Firearms Training

Captain Lozefski said they're currently training; that it's taking longer due to COVID; that they had to minimize the classes for distancing; that they've been out there for all of June and probably for the rest of July; and that they have their once-a-year Night Qualifications. A very brief Q&A followed.

6. Meeting Adjourned

Fire Chief Kronenberger moved to adjourn; Seconded by Councilman Pessina. There being no discussion or objection, Motion approved.

Next Firing Range Building Committee Meeting: Tuesday, July 21, 2020, 6:00 P.M.

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Respectfully Submitted,



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