

**Town of Thompson  
Board of Selectmen  
Special Meeting  
August 20, 2015  
Thompson Public Library/Community Center**

**MINUTES**

PRESENT: Paul Lenky, 1<sup>st</sup> Selectman, Kerstin Forrester, Selectman, Shaina Smith, Selectman

OTHERS: Robert Lachance, Alison Bougtaugh, Steve Herbert

Paul Lenky called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

- Paul Lenky presented cost information on **the HVAC System from two vendors:**
- - **EMCOR Services** for the current system, which include their estimate to replace the cooling tower which is the most pressing replacement need currently. EMCOR had also presented costs to replace/repair other sections of the system as follows:

Replacement of the Cooling Tower	\$64,497
Replacement of Heat Pumps #2 & #3	\$33,000**
Replacement of Heat Pumps #4 & #5	\$37,000
Installation of new thermostats for 20 heat pumps @ \$600 each	\$12,000
 The 16 other heat pumps will likely need replacement in the near-term @ \$7,500 each	  \$120,000
 <i>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST</i>	  <i>\$266,497</i>

\*\* Excludes ceiling or wall demo and replacement; Alison stated that this cost can be reduced per conversations she has had with the EMCOR.

- **HOMANS ASSOCIATES** provided an estimate to install Mitsubishi Electric City Multi condensers at a total cost of **\$246,515** , excluding disconnects and vibration isolation for equipment components.

#### DISCUSSION POINTS:

- Kerstin Forrester - Since this is a significant investment for the town over the next few years, we need to consider whether we are better off to “bandaid” the current system or look at alternatives that incorporate new technology that may also provide greater energy efficiency. We should also look for possible rebates from the state for either option.
  - Discussed pros and cons for each system that we could define
  - There are a lot of details missing from both estimates.
  - Alison suggested that we should have an HVAC engineering study done to recommend the most efficient system. We all agreed that would be the right first step at this point. Mary Ann Chinatti will be asked to send out a RFP/RFQ .
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- **Surveillance Camera Repairs at the Library/Community Center :**
    - Alison discussed recent issues regarding the length of time for current supplier to respond to and repair existing system; more than a week.
    - Current supplier is Electronic Security Solutions from Lisbon CT.
    - Steve Herbert stated that we should not have multiple problems with a system in a year! Cost of systems have decreased significantly and quality has improved significantly over the past few years.
    - Alison provided us with a lay-out map of the current system.
    - Shaina will ask a friend knowledgeable about surveillance systems.
    - We will also check cost on the web-site. Steve Herbert suggested checking COSTCO.com (Kerstin will do)
    - We feel we can replace system for less than \$4,000 and get something with higher quality resolution and reliability.

M/S Shaina Smith/Paul Lenky to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 1:44 p.m.

Respectfully recorded and submitted  
Kerstin Forrester  
Selectman