

**Town of Lyndeborough**  
**Safety Complex and Other Options Committee**  
**September 15, 2016 at Center Hall**

*Approved Oct. 13, 2016*

Committee Members in Attendance: Mark Chamberlain, John Pomer, Bob Rogers, Scott Roper, Selectmen's Rep. Mark Shultz and Chief Rance Deware.

Call to Order: 6:05 PM on site at Center Hall for a walk of the town property behind Center Hall.

**Approval of minutes: VOTE: Motion by Rogers, second by Chamberlain, minutes of July 14, 2016 meeting approved unanimously by voice vote.**

**Discussion:**

Members walked the Joslin field behind Center Hall/old town barn. All agreed that the site had potential and plenty of room for a fire station. The preferred location is lower on the field behind the old town barn. Access through the lower end, a septic pump to tie into the existing Center Hall system, ledge issues and the need for a new well were discussed. A second story was mentioned but it was pointed out that an elevator would be required and would add cost. Chief Deware mentioned that a fire suppression system would also be a budget issue.

The design of the site and building would have to blend with the existing buildings. A rustic barn design and matching roof lines to be in line with the old town barn were listed as examples.

Mr. Pomer reported that he had done some online research into insurance ratings and that out of 1-10, most rural areas are 9-10. Being out of the five mile range is a 10 rating. Most of Lyndeborough is in the 9 rating. A 10 rating can be mitigated by means of fire ponds, fire suppression systems and the like.

Mr. Pomer asked what the minimum police needs are. Chief Deware listed having vehicles under cover, lockers, evidence room and the possibility of a detached garage.

The size that could be considered for the building is 50x125 feet with six bays.

This location is not in the Historic District but Center Hall, the Old Town Barn and United Church are in the Historic District.

Action items: Mr. Pomer will draft the pros and cons of all the properties considered.

Next meeting: Citizens' Hall on October 13, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

**VOTE: Bob Rogers moved to adjourn, second by Mark Shultz at 6:45pm. Motion passed.**

Photos were taken of the site.

Respectfully Submitted by Mark Chamberlin and Kathleen Humphreys