

Town Hall Committee Meeting Minutes *prepared by Barbara Felitti*
Thursday, February 17, 2011 – meeting held at the Town Office

Present: Aaron Worthley, Terry Boyle, Linda Fickbohm, Barbara Felitti, Amy Dohner, Mariah Riggs

Summary of discussion:

1. Town Hall Well

Follow-up with Yogi Alger indicates that the Town Hall water is connected to the fire station. Heidi Racht confirmed that the Huntington Center Water Co. ceased working in the early 1990's, and so the library could not have used water from this source.

2. Spring/Summer Maintenance

We will investigate more about where the water line enters the building during upcoming maintenance. We also discussed the need to check under the stage and confirm what items are there.

3. Zoning

After review of the zoning regulations, Aaron sent a letter to the Zoning Administrator clarifying our interpretation of the regulations as they relate to the building and why we do not see the need to restrict the number of events.

Follow-up:

⇒ Aaron will follow-up in a few days to discuss with the Zoning Administrator.

4. Energy Assessment

Discussed the need for an energy assessment of the building as part of maintenance and long-term planning.

Follow-up:

⇒ Amy will follow-up with Mary Jane from the Energy Committee about conducting an assessment.

5. Henry Curtains

We will check status of curtains during the maintenance, and see if we will apply for funding from Curtains w/out Borders for restoration work.

6. Town Hall Maintenance Plan

We reviewed the revised maintenance plan and a few additional changes were made. Mariah identified some potentially more cost effective options to get ADA access to the second floor (open, no-shaft lift) which we will include in estimator assessment. At this point, we need to give it to the estimator, Tom Barden, and see what additional information he may need. We agreed it would be more efficient for fewer people to meet with Barden to make use of his time more efficient and to keep costs down. Amy and Aaron agreed to meet with the estimator. Also discussed the remaining funds in the budget and possible need to use reserve funds for some of the cost. Ager question is how much rehabilitation is needed to bring a historic building up to code.

Follow-up:

- ⇒ Barbara to update maintenance plan
- ⇒ Mariah will get information on the open, no-shaft lift to Amy
- ⇒ Amy will coordinate work with Barden and be in touch with Aaron
- ⇒ Barbara will check with SB about use of reserve funds
- ⇒ Barbara will contact Ann Cousins about issue of historic buildings and building codes

7. Fundraising

Mariah discussed some options for grants – state ADA, cultural facilities. We also discussed the VT State Historic Preservation grants in the fall. The maintenance plan with information on current costs will help us map out what work needs to be done and what funds are available. Mariah and Linda will also work on

