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Town Hall Committee Meeting 20 December 2012

Attending: Barbara Felitti, Linda Fickbohm Terry Boyle

Absent: Aaron Worthly, Moriah Riggs

Minutes by Terry Boyle

Approval of November minutes

Approved with the following amendments:

Linda will continue to follow-up about the unpaid fee.

Select board meeting of December 17

It appears that the select board may fund half of half the roof replacement cost with town funds and half from insurance funds. There was no motion since one board member made the case that the insurance money was intended to be a match required for grants and there was no consensus among the select board. This issue will be decided by the select board on their meeting of January 7, 2013.

Andrew Crane meeting on December 15th

Crane is a consultant to the Vermont Council on the Arts and the Agency of Development and Community Affairs compliance Board on variances from ADA requirements and will provide a report on TH accessibility issues necessary for the bathroom, ramp and lift designs. These designs requiring plans, outline specifications and contractor prices will be needed for the Arts Council application in May and the DCA application in late summer. ADA grants can be as much as 75,000 dollars and can possibly be used as matches against each other. A meeting is planned in early 2013 after receiving Andrew Crane's accessibility assessment report with Lisa Ryan of VT Community Development Block Grant, Sonia Rae of the Arts Council and Ann Cousins, preservation trust of VT to review Andrews report and discuss application requirements.

Annual Report

Linda is preparing annual Town Report that will be updated after TH committee meets with select board on January 7th.

It was suggested that Mariah follow up on the Crane report and also contact BP school about interest in using the performance space since we need evidence that TH is / will be used for community as well as governmental uses. Other users mentioned for the theatre space were Don Sheldon, Buddy Dubay, Scouts, Recreation committee, Planning for Hearings etc.

Town Meeting Preparation

After meeting with the select board on January 7th we will determine if we should introduce an article to be warned at Town Meeting in our own language. We also brainstormed talking points for Town Meeting which would be included in the PR package if we go that route.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45