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## **1835 Minutes 4/27/22** By Carol Stewart-Grinkis

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 with chair Carl Corrine, Christine McCarthy, Ron Picherri and Carol Stewart-Grinkis in attendance. Guest Richard Maki also attended.

Minutes from 3/23/22 and 2/23/22 were accepted. Matt Majakis did not contact or come to the meeting as planned to update us on the sound system package.

Our continuing discussion on the options for the Brick Building behind the 1835 reviewed the costs from several companies to move the structure which came in around \$40,000.00. Additional fees would be added when costs for footings, a cement pad, electrical and heat were included. Wanting to find financial support, discussion centered on ADA grant monies for the additional handicapped parking, joint support from Sterling EDC and the Trustees of Preservation and funds created by the town sale of The Sterling Inn. Carl will contact DPW, Police and Lighting Dept. to secure assistance should the building move proceed. A location adjacent to the Butterick Building for storage or at another town center location as an information kiosk are both options for future use.

Christine will contact David Gibbs from the Historical Commission to request documentation on the Brick Building's

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provenance. Carol to contact Jim French on Preservation and EDC to request joint support for reuse.

Carl reported that there is still a need to hire a painting firm to scrape and repaint the Maple Street side of the 1835. Ron will reach out to the local prison to acquire workers and a second firm will be contacted by Carol for an updated quote.

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The Easements from business owners for the proposed septic connection are still unsettled. Carl and Jack to work to get closure once again so that a contract bid can be initiated. This needs support and an active involvement from the SelectBoard.

Christine proposed a letter to Johnathan Knight, former Back Street Boy member and HGTV celebrity host of renovating Massachusetts old homes, to request he join us for an 1835 Open House, to be scheduled as our calendars allow. Carol will collaborate on the letter to be reviewed at the next meeting.

No updates on the ADA Grant for Restrooms from Matt M but Fall deadlines may bring an answer. We are still on the "waiting list". We can reapply and will inquire from Matt best options.

Dick Maki reported that the Friends of 1835 perspective donor has not yet confirmed his interest. Jack and Dick still working on

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setting up group. Papers must be filed with the State when complete.

Town Meeting scheduled for May 9 will have item for our budget to complete acoustic panels, sound system and window treatments. When approved, we will be able to move ahead with these finishings.

Meeting adjourned 8:23PM.