
1835 Minutes Nov. 30, 2022

By Carol Stewart-Grinkis

The meeting opened at 6:39 with Ron Pichierri, Christine McCarthy, Jack Chandler, Carl Corrinne attending and Dick Maki guest. Minutes for Oct. meeting read and approved as written with Jack abstaining as a result of his October absence.

The group happily learned that the first round of window treatments from Smashing Windows had been ordered for the Great Hall. The TA, Bill Caldwell, split the total into three parcels for best accounting and payments to the vendor will be completed at the end of each installment. The issue of a \$25.per item rebate on the first order is under advisement from the TA and the Operations manager. Carl to review the needed prep work items with the TA to ready the Great Hall windows for installation and iron grates for the stage windows should also be ordered and installed prior to window treatments.

We learned from the TA that all the new chairs had arrived completing the furniture and equipment order for the Great Hall. The TA also initiated a third bid on the ceiling acoustic panels plan. The latest quote called for a strapping system and

8' panels. Final review of all bids will follow and a decision on best vendor system and fees will be determined.

The septic system upgrade and the easement process had legal, the TA and the Select Board determine that the best procedure at this time would be to take the needed property by eminent domain. The easement would list both drain and septic as one entity. The committee is hopeful this will allow us to move this project forward for the town as well as open the option for adding a family ADA approved restroom.

Carol reported that the Garden Club Banner, left with the TA to arrange for proper installation on to the front pillars of the 1835, was actually nailed by the installers at SMLD. TA was notified and stated he would follow up. The eyelets recommended and supplied by the committee were rejected by the TA as unacceptable. Carl to discuss with TA Caldwell.

Ron reported on his site meeting with a firm to consider moving the Brick Building to the Butterick area. Procedures and costs quoted at \$41,000.00 with additional fees and work by town to ready the new space. Further discussion will follow at Dec. 21 meeting.

Updates on the Friends of the 1835 revealed the need for advertising for board positions and asking for support from the EDC to establish this fund raising group for future building needs. We could put notices at the Senior Center,

Library or Town Hall. Carol to check with Rec. Director on her interest in working with the new group. Carol to clarify with Rec. director Shari on Insurance rates for residents and others for use of 1835. Meeting adjourned 8:09