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Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee

May 21, 2008

The meeting was called to order by Cindy Secord, in the absence of Vern Gaw, at 7:15 p.m. at the 1835 Town Hall Building. Members present were Cindy Secord, Beth Stuerman, Ron Pichierri, Ken Stidsen and Joann Drown.

The recorder's report was read and accepted on a motion made by Ron, seconded by Ken.

The treasurer reported that the maintenance account has \$3,166.70 as of April 1, 2008. There has been \$50.00 allotted for curtain rods, \$300.00 for electrical work, and \$250.00 for bunting, which leaves \$2,566.70 in the account. Ron will call Vern for the status of the electrical work and the remaining storm windows.

The committee voted unanimously on a motion made by Ron, seconded by Beth, to recommend to the selectmen not to have the 1835 Town Hall Building used as a television studio, which was proposed by the Sterling Cable Committee.

The curtains are hung on the main floor of the building, and they look wonderful.

Beth has done research on companies that sell window shades, and she thought the best shades were made by Anderson Window Fashions. Ken made a motion, seconded by Ron, to purchase window shades for the 1st and 2nd floors of the building at a cost of \$1,674.00. The committee voted in favor of this motion unanimously.

Beth next addressed the bunting for the building. She showed the committee a picture taken of the Town Hall in the 1950's, which showed bunting between the columns. She reported that the cost of the bunting would be \$171.00 if purchased from Central Discount Flag of Leominster.

Beth reported that a Leominster Co. would hot wax and clean the wooden floor upstairs for a cost of \$1,000.00. Beth also stated that she had a cost of \$282.98 to clean and deodorized the carpet in the large room on the 1st floor.

Cindy made a motion, seconded by Ron, to allow Beth to have the carpet cleaned by a professional cleaner in the amount not to exceed \$300.00. The committee voted in favor of this motion unanimously.

Ken stated that he will call Vern and ask about the status of keys for the building.

Beth stated that she would open the building on Memorial Day, and have coffee and pastries for people who wish to tour the building.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 18, at 7:00 p.m.

Ken made a motion, seconded by Ron, to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder

Note: After the committee adjourned, it was decided that Ken would supervise the carpet cleaning, not Beth.