Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee

March 14, 2005

The meeting opened at 6:50 p.m.

This meeting, once again, is a combined meeting of the 1835 Town Hall Committee, and the Historical Commission.

Members present: Vern Gaw, Roland Nelson, Cindy Secord, Ron Pichierri, and Joann Drown. From the Historical Commission: Jim French and Jim Griffin.

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

The treasurer's report was read and accepted on a motion made by Jim French, seconded by Ron.

\$224.00 in the Revolving Fund, 1835 Town Hall Committee.

\$634.91 Historical Commission.

\$40,000.00 Historical Structure Report Account.

\$38,984.59 1835 Town Hall Committee Paint Account.

Vern has talked to John Mac Millan of Reinhardt Associates, and the committee can expect a report on existing conditions on the Town Hall Building next week. The 1835 Town Hall Committee will meet with Mr. Mac Millan on March 23, 6 p.m., at the Butterick Building.

Mr. Mac Millan reported to Vern on 3 items:

- 1. The intake for the furnace is blocked by snow piled up against the building.
- 2. The shingles on the roof need work or replacement.
- 3. In Mr. Mac Millan's opinion, the existing wooden clapboards are too old to hold paint, and he suggested using cement clapboards as replacements.

Ron's comment on the use of cement clapboards was that they would last a long time, but they would present a very different appearance than the present clapboards. Ron will bring in samples of cement clapboards to the March 23rd meeting. Ron would prefer we use new wooden clapboards.

Vern and Cindy would like to use the present clapboards. Cindy mentioned that she would like to have more information on preparing the clapboards correctly for paint. She remembers seeing a segment of the program 'This Old House', where they tried several ways to remove the old paint on clapboards. She remembers that they had success with one experiment, but she could not remember the conclusion.

Vern mentioned that Mr. Mac Millan may want a new roof, and Roland mentioned that Mr. Mac Millan said that the roof is not capable of bearing a heavy snow load.

Vern will talk to the D.P.W. about removing the snow pile on the side of the building, and not putting all that snow there in the future.

There is now a project sign on the 1935 Town Hall building, thanks to Ron and Cindy. The cost of the sign is \$175.00.

Roland stated that he has changed his mind about clapboard situation, and would like to see new wooden clapboards on the exterior of the building. Vern and Cindy want to paint the present clapboards.

The committee members then commenced to prepare a Wish List. This list tries to present all committee members ideas about what he or she would like to see accomplished, to make the 1835 Town Hall Building the best that it can be for future generations.

The committee then commenced to prepare a wish list, and then the meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder.