

Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall

November 9, 2005

The meeting opened at 7:05 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

Members present: Vern Gaw, Roland Nelson, Cindy Secord, Ron Pichierri, and Joann Drown.

The October 3, 2005 recorder's report was read and accepted on a motion made by Ron and seconded by Roland, with two corrections.

The treasurer's report: Town Hall Maintenance account has \$39,417.69, and the Revolving Fund has \$1,187.00.

Vern submitted two invoices for payment, one for \$87.38, and an invoice from Mr. Grinkis for \$2,500.00. Everyone agreed that Mr. Grinkis is doing a very good job.

Cindy offered to ask the selectmen if it is proper for this committee to set guidelines for fees charged to organizations and individuals using space at the 1835 Town Hall.

The new Veterans Service Agent, Roland Nelson, needs private office space to conduct veterans' affairs. It has been suggested that Roland use an office at the 1835 Town Hall. Vern's concern is that this committee has voted in the past to keep offices open for meetings, with the exception of Judy Janda's office, and we have presented plans to have the 1935 Town Hall serve as a community center.

Vern stated that we need a date from the Fire Chief, as to when all Fire Dept. equipment and furnishings will be moved out of the building.

Vern reported that the Eagle Scout project is on-going, and also that the boilers need cleaning.

Vern is concerned about the amount of water in the cellar after the heavy rains two weeks ago. He stated that the new septic system Tom Loan installed may have blocked the old run-off. Cindy suggested we will need grading, and perhaps crushed stone, before the new elevator is installed.

Vern also reported that there is rotten wood on the front of the building, on the side opposite the repaired spot. Also, copper flashing is needed along the pediment base.

Vern is going to present a final report to Carol Dininno of the Massachusetts Historical Commission. Ms. Dininno will be making a site visit soon.

Our next meeting will be on December 21, 2005, at the Municipal Building.

Meeting informally adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder.