

Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee

October 26, 2016

The joint meeting with the Sterling Historical Commission opened at the 1835 Town Hall building at 6:07 pm. Members present were Bob Jones, Dave Gibbs, Ron Pichierri, Carl Corrinne, Joann Drown. Rob Barwise was absent.

Representing the Historical Commission were Vern Gaw, Dave Gibbs and Bob Jones. The Historical Commission did not have a quorum.

Dave made a motion, seconded by Ron, to accept the Recorder's report as corrected. The committee voted 4-0 in favor of the motion.

There was no treasurer's report.

Bob stated that he needs to go to the Selectmen's meeting next week and present our opinion on what to do about the roof. He believes that we should go after the roof in 2017, and the septic in 2018, and access in 2019.

Dave stated that he found the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund on-line, and he read to us that the Fund awarded money to towns around us, Berlin, Royston and Shirley. Dave suggested that we put slate on the roof so that Mass. Historical will contribute \$50 thousand, and we could do a good job of fixing the roof and putting in disability access to the second floor. The Committee continued to discuss what materials would be best for the job.

Bob asked about the column project: Ron and Dave will select the wood for the project from Dave's barn wood.

Old Business:

Ron explained what he learned in a conversation with Matt Marro, Sterling ADA, about lifts and elevators. Ron stated that Mr. Marro would meet with us on November 9th, in order to explain what would be best for this building.

Bob stated that we would have our next meeting on November 9th at 6 pm.

Dave made a motion, seconded by Ron, to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm. The committee voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder.