Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall

March 1, 2017

The meeting opened at 6:30 pm at the 1835 Town Hall building. Members present were Bob Jones, Ron Pichierri, Carl Corrinne, Dave Gibbs and Joann Drown. Rob Barwise and Danielle Ray were absent.

Dave made a motion, seconded by Ron, to approve the minutes as corrected. The committee voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

There was no Treasurer's report.

Bob and Joann will attend the Finance Committee meeting Saturday March 4 at 10 am.

Dave reviewed the AAB meeting which took place on Feb. 15, 2017 for the Committee members. The AAB is very flexible when it comes to lifts. The AAB wants to cooperate and help Towns like ours. As an example, Dave questioned Mr. Hopkins about the gallery. Would we have to have a lift to reach that high. Mr. Hopkins said no, you need only obtain a variance.

Carl talked about people not knowing what would happen if this building were gone. How is this going to look, front and center at the corner. The focus would shift from this great building to what? Is this advancing the looks of Sterling Center? Also, the Recreation Dept. will have nowhere to operate.

Bob stated that we need to finalize our arguments in favor of fixing the roof of the building by April 17th. Dave stated that we need to have our marketing arguments ready in just a few weeks. Bob has put together a video to show at town meeting.

Joann had a few ideas about promoting the building.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Dave, to enter into an agreement with Robichard Painting, 60 Princeton Rd., Westminster MA, 01473, to engage their services to complete the exterior painting of front, peak, and columns, in a contract dated 2/28/2017, not to exceed $6,850.00 The Committee voted 5-0 in favor of the motion.

The Committee discussed having an Open House in April.

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Dave made a motion, seconded by Joann, to adjourn the meeting. The Committee voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder