

Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee

December 18, 2014

The meeting opened at 6:02 pm at the 1835 Town Hall building. Members present were Vern Gaw, Bob Jones, Ron Pichierra, and Joann Drown. Phil Nash attended the meeting at 6:30 pm.

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

The Treasurer reported that the Maintenance account has \$3,939.65, the Paint account balance is \$5,060.11, the Window account balance is \$10,388.00, the Design/Engineer account has a \$3,580.35 balance and the Revolving account balance is \$8,723.93. Bob made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as submitted, and Ron seconded the motion, and the motion passed the committee 4-0.

The next subject for the committee is the window restoration, and Vern submitted a Change Order dated December 5, 2014, and the Change Order items will complete the window repair project. The Change Order total is 2,095.00, which will leave a balance in the window restoration account of \$8,293.00. Ron moved that the committee authorize Vern to contact Robert Barwise in order to complete the change order dated December 5, 2014 in the amount of \$2,095.00. Bob 2nd the motion, and the committee voted 4-0 in favor of the motion.

Joann made a motion, seconded by Ron, to pay Minuteman Press, Invoice # 23660, in the amount of \$207.40, to cover the cost of 250 Sterling 1835 Town Hall booklets. The committee voted 4-0 in favor of the motion. The money will come from the Revolving account.

Vern instructed the committee in the correct way to use the key pad on the back door. Put in the 4 numbers, then star, then push inward to open the door.

Vern reported that he talked to Tom Rutherford about the roof, and Tom would like someone to prepare a bid document. Vern and Tom feel that the document needs to be prepared by a qualified professional. Vern talked to two contractors a few days ago. Vern also visited the architects Spencer Vogt in Boston, and he presented them with the picture of the 1835 building taken at dusk. Vern asked the architects information about Northeast Structures. Vern has not heard back from the architects, and he is getting impatient. Vern thinks the price for the roof will be \$200,000.00 if we do the proper re-inforcement, and in order to do the re-inforcement we would need to take down the suspended ceiling. This will be an article presented to Town Meeting jointly with this committee and the selectmen.

Vern received an e-mail from Michael Szlosek, Interim Town Administrator, who suggested we get a grant for the roof project. Vern will see Mr. Szlosek tomorrow morning to discuss the grant issue. Ron will continue to look into getting information on replacing the trusses on the roof.

Vern discussed installing the crash bar on the back door. Vern has an appointment with a locksmith in order to finish this project.

Phil and Vern will continue to seek a Friend's of the 1835 president.

Old Business:

We have new booklets.

Phil made a motion, seconded by Ron, to hand-deliver a copy of our 1835 Town Hall Committee minutes to each Selectmen every month, starting with November 19, 2014. The committee voted 4-0 in favor of this motion.

New Business:

Vern presented a bill for ice-melt in the amount of \$6.92, purchased from Maki Corporation. Joann made a motion, seconded by Phil, to reimburse Vern for the ice-melt purchase. The committee voted 4-0 in favor of the motion. Money to come from the Maintenance account.

Our next meeting will be January 21, 2015 at 6 pm at the 1835 building.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Phil, to adjourn the meeting. The committee voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder