

Sterling Historical Commission-Proposed minutes 3-30-2017

Meeting began at 7pm. Present: Bob Jones Mackay acting chair, David Gibbs, Carol Lavigne, Cathy Harragian. Absent: Vern Gaw, Jim French

Meeting Minutes: Minutes from 12/23/2016 meeting were approved.

Budget:

1. There is still approximately \$750 in the budget. Committee is in favor of asking town to raise the amount.
2. Committee interested in placing historic signs in town with the help of a local handyman. The price not to exceed \$700. Cathy and Bob will contact 3 different contractors for quote. Motion made by C Lavigne.

Old Business:

1835 Town Hall. The proposed and favored plan of the 1835 Town Hall Committee is to, year 1, repair the upstairs and roof for \$298,000 (Article 16 town warrant 2017), and next year address the septic repair in addition to writing grant for universal access design. In year 3 Build universal access to the building. Year 4 Colum restoration. Year 5: Install sprinkler system.

There will be an open house at the 1835 town hall on April 17th 6-8:30pm.

Discussion of speaking to the new town administrator about the condition of the Sterling cemeteries and their lack of perpetual care, despite funding from the perpetual care fund. Dave Gibbs will address this situation with Ross Perry. This dialogue will also cover implementation of DPW support for placing historical signs.

Next meeting scheduled for May 11th, 7pm

Meeting ended at 9pm.