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Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee TOWN OF STERLING
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June 17, 2009

The meeting opened at 7:10 p.m. at the 1835 Town Hall Building. Members present were Vern Gaw, Ron Pichierri, Cindy Secord, Beth Stuermer, Ken Stidsen and Joann Drown.

The recorder's report was read and accepted on a motion made by Ron, seconded by Cindy, with one correction. The correction was that Ron was present at the meeting for a short time.

The treasurer reported that there were no changes in the balances of the accounts since our last meeting.

Vern stated that unexpected expenditures have been presented to this committee. He reiterated that this committee is charged to expend monies after obtaining firm quotes, and the expenditures presented do not follow these criteria. Vern also stated that monies cannot be expended on projects that do not have the committee's approval.

Beth presented an invoice for reimbursement in the amount of \$78.97 for sweeping compound, etc. Beth explained that she spent three hours cleaning up a large amount of plaster and other debris that was left by the person who re-plastered the upstairs hallway. She did not finish the cleanup that day.

Cindy made a motion, seconded by Ron, to pay \$180.97, which represents half of the amount needed to pay for electrical work on the second floor of the building. The committee voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Vern, to pay Invoice #415704, in the amount of \$49.68, to Fitchburg Plumbing, for parts needed to fix both toilets in the building. The committee voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Ken, to table paying \$13.28 for window guards installed on some windows on the second floor. The committee never voted prior approval for window guards. The committee voted unanimously in favor of this motion.

Ken made a motion, seconded by Cindy, not to pay Matts Woodworking and Home Repair for work done on the ceiling on the 2nd floor. Ken explained that the work was unacceptable, incomplete, poor quality, uneven work, no clean-up, and no authorization from this committee. The vote was unanimous in favor of this motion.

Beth made a motion, seconded by Ken, to table the payment to Doors Unlimited of Leominster, invoice E19111, dated 5/28/09. The committee voted unanimously for this motion.

The Servpro invoice #2029138 dated 6/12/09, in the amount of \$492.00, was pre-authorized for payment on 4/15/09.

The committee discussed problems, solutions and costs involved in fixing the fire escape.

Ken reported that the DPW will pick up the cost of a handicap parking sign and they will also paint two handicap parking spots.

Beth made a motion, seconded by Ron, to authorize Peter Watson to paint the hallway and entryway, the amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. The vote was unanimous in favor of this motion.

Our next meeting will be on July 15, 2009.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 p.m., on a motion made by Cindy, seconded by Ron.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown,
Recorder