

Minutes Old Town Hall Committee  
December 15, 2003

Meeting opened at approx. 6:45 p.m.

Members Present: Vern Gaw, Ron Pichierri, Roland Nelson, Joann Drown.

1. The library will be vacating the building in January. Vern expressed concern about the amount of furniture the library will NOT be taking back to 4 Meetinghouse Hill Rd.
2. \$390.00 was paid to Daigle Construction, to remove, repair, prime, and install exterior siding in front left column.
3. Vern made a motion, 2<sup>nd</sup>d by Ron, to pay Forester Moulding & Lumber Co. \$956.10.
4. Vern reported to the committee that we have received the grant that Vern wrote, to receive \$5,000.00 from the State Mass Historical Commission, to be used for Old Town Hall restoration. The Town will match the grant.
5. In order to comply with the rules of the grant, a 4' by 4' sign must be prominently displayed stating .... This property is a grant recipient, and has received a matching grant etc. This identifies an on-going preservation project funded by MHC. This project has a time limit, and must be completed by June 30, 2005.
6. Barnard came out Monday, Dec. 8, 2003, to check leak in the roof, and did temporary repair which did not work well. Vern noticed a great deal of leakage following the repair. Vern is going to consider other slate roof specialists.
7. Sterling Plumbing fixed the leak in the second floor radiation last Thursday.
8. Keys need to be retrieved from Library staff.
9. Vern will explore ADT expense.
10. A short discussion on meeting dates. Next meeting to be held 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in January, providing that is not a holiday.
11. Fund raising report to be discussed at next meeting.
12. The Fire Dept. has expressed an interest to use the Old Town Hall while the Fire Dept. building is renovated.
13. The selectmen have decided to move some Departments to the Old Town Hall. Concern about this was expressed, as members of this Committee wish to exert some control over the use of the building. Also, there will be a need to charge for the use of the building. Vern discussed how the First Church handles fees.
14. Members of this committee discussed the need to have a line item in the warrant yearly, for the upkeep of the Old Town Hall. There then would be no need to repeat the process of asking for money in a separate warrant article each year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.