

Minutes of the 1835 Town Hall Committee

October 25, 2017

The meeting opened at 6:30 pm at the 1835 Town Hall building. Members present were Dave Gibbs, Ron Pichierri, Rob Barwise, and Joann Drown. Also attending the meeting were Rich Lane and Dick Maki. Bob Jones, Christine McCarthy and Carl Corrinne were absent.

Dave Chaired the meeting tonight.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Rob, to accept the minutes as presented. The Committee voted 4-0 to accept the motion.

Dave reported that the Selectmen voted to approve Joe Booth, President JMBA Architects, for his design and management of the roof project. One Selectman was concerned that the figure of \$42,000 was over budget.

Dave reported that Bob attended the FinCom meeting, and the members stated that they are not pleased with our Committee in regards to grant status. Dave stated that on November 17, 2017 the Massachusetts Cultural Facilities Fund will receive from us a letter stating our intention to apply, which is the first step in receiving a grant. Dave stated that it will be advisable to start a Friends of the 1835 Town Hall group, in order to access money from the private sector. Bob's wife, Jacqueline Jones, has already committed to getting the 501c3 up and running, and she has also committed to being treasurer of the Friends group.

Dave mentioned that at the Special Town Meeting on November 14th, the 1835 Town Hall Committee will ask for the \$2,020, and transfer the sum of \$3,580 from Article 10 of the May 2011 Annual town meeting to fund the Phase II 1835 Town Hall Septic Design.

There was some discussion about renting a camera to go through the drainage pipe.

Dave stated that there is little movement on Universal Access at this time.

Old Business:

Joann mentioned that she read that Everett Heller has resigned from this Committee. Rich mentioned that Mr. Heller has joined the FinCom.

Dave stated that he remembers this Committee asking repeatedly about the building sub- committee that was supposed to help us. He stated that we have never received any guidance on that, and the question was if the appointees could make motions and vote. Rich stated that there is definitely confusion. Rich has asked that the issue be on the Selectmen's agenda at their next meeting. Dave stated that more care be taken in order to assure a good job is done on the repair of the roof, and a positive attitude of cooperation be evident to the viewers of the Selectmen's meetings on television.

Ron volunteered to go on a walk on Friday with David Lyons of the DPW, and Chuck Budnick, to determine where the drain pipe runs.

Our next meeting will be November 15, 2017.

Ron made a motion, seconded by Joann, to adjourn the meeting. The Committee voted 4-0 to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joann Drown, Recorder