

Sterling Historical Commission Meeting Minutes 7/11/2018

6pm: Meeting Begin

Attendance: Jim French, David Gibbs, Lindsey VanGieson, Jim Carroll, Cathy Harragian

- 6:05 Met with Frank Heinemann , Carol Houde, Laurie Picard from the Sterling Land Trust organization. Discussion centered around the Sterlling Landtrust use of the West Sterling Schoolhouse. The meeting took place at the Schoolhouse to get a feel for the building. Carol Houde was in favor of speaking with the selectmen and the Sterling Historical Commission about such a venture. Possible funding avenues include a lease from the town to the Sterling Land Trust as a planning/grant proposal process. Forming a secondary Friends of the West Sterling Schoolhouse 501c organization was another suggestion. Current maintainance and plumbing solutions were discussed. The DPW has to be contacted concerning some dead trees on boundry line of property. Reunion event for West Sterling Community Center suggested by Carol Houde.
- 6:35 Minutes from last meeting approved. Motion made by Dave Gibbs, 2nd Jim Carroll.
- 6:40 Discussion of planning for Thoreau event
- 6:50 Discussion of razing of 2 properties in historical district. Group decided to pursue CPA for funding historical preservation at Master Plan Meetings. Motion made by J French, 2nd by L Van Gieson. Motion approved.
- 7:00 Next meeting at West Sterling Schoolhouse 8/8/2018. Adjournment called by D Gibbs, 2nd J Carroll.