

Town Hall Restoration Committee Meeting - DRAFT

December 1, 2021 7 p.m. Town Offices

Present: Margaret Watkins, Dave Nault (Selectmen's rep), Janet Casey, Enid Larsen, Don Larsen, Nora Lamarque, Sue Bracy, John Stevens (advisor), Guests Mary Girard (Librarian) and Bruce Banks (Library Trustee).

1. Minutes from the October 27 meeting were approved and accepted with a correction of Jeff Trexler's donated time for his structural engineering work on the current plan of \$4,500.
2. Margaret authored a Use Policy Preamble which will be used as a Mission Statement for the Use Policy. The committee was pleased with the historic background provided in the statement.
3. Second Floor Use Policy: Much time was used to discuss the proposed Use Policy for the second floor. Corrections and additions were made to the policy. There was much discussion as to where to store tables on the second floor. This will be a concern in the future. After corrections are made to the Use Policy, a motion to approve the policy was made by Janet Casey, seconded by Enid Larsen. Once corrected, the policy will be sent to the Selectmen.
4. Hayride Recap and next events: Enid Larsen reported that the hayride was well received. Several tours and good exposure to the second floor were made along with encouragement for people to show up at the town meeting in March for the vote.

A possibility in January could be a "Marshmallow Roast" with a storyteller (possibly Jae Larsen) to acquaint young families with the second floor and its upcoming vote.

It was suggested that prior to the March Town Meeting, a mailer is sent out by the committee to town residents regarding the second floor and the importance of their vote.

Also suggested was the idea of having responsible high school students, looking for community service credit, be available for babysitting the evening of the town meeting in March.

5. Dennis Mire's Update: Dave Nault reported that the finished plans and specifications should be done on December 13. At that time, it can go out for bid.
6. Second Floor Fire Suppression: Dave Nault reported that 4 bids will come in by December 2 for the sprinkler system. The selectmen will be reviewing this. The plan is to have a sprinkler system done by the town's March meeting. There could be possible delays due to Covid.

Dave told the committee that the water tanks, holding 10,000 gallons of water, will be located in the basement of the Town Hall.

Dave also related to the committee that he has met with a construction company regarding the Town Hall outside steps for demolition and reconstruction. These will be covered by this year's town budget.

7. Treasurer's Report: Current balance \$79,871.07

Next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2022. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Bracy