

1772 Meetinghouse Restoration Committee Meeting  
August 24, 2017  
New Durham Public Library

Members Present: George Gale, Cathy Allyn, Clayton Randall

Absent: Bob Craycraft (excused)

[Call to Order - Chairperson George Gale called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.](#)

Public Input - There was no public input.

Business -

*CIP Committee and Cost Estimate -*

Relative to Cecile Chase's email asking if \$200,000 is the amount the CIP Committee should be considering for the restoration, George said the Historic Structure Report roughed out figures. On page 59 of that report, Steve Bedard estimated \$266,000 with a 10 per cent contingency, or \$317,000 including a well, septic system, and outbuilding. George said we would have to adjust for inflation.

The Committee discussed that the foundation work had increased 20 per cent in the four years since it had been slated for completion by Aron Sturgis. George said he would work on the figures and present the CIP Committee with a report. He indicated that putting money away for the project now could sway funding authorities, as they viewed that as evidence of support, and that the project stood to receive up to 30 per cent in grants.

*Outreach/Events*

Town groups contact list – George suggested bringing leaders of town groups to the Meetinghouse to show the facilities and describe the building's history. Cathy Allyn provided a list of many of the groups that meet regularly at the library.

*Construction/Maintenance*

Meeting with the Board of Selectmen on site – Date still to be determined. Checklist for issues:

- 1.) Gravel needed on south side of the driveway – Road Agent Don Vachon said that was feasible
- 2.) Fill ditch on the north side with gravel for additional parking – peel back the loam, fill with gravel, and replace loam
- 3.) Determine if there is an easement for the telephone pole, as it would be beneficial if we could move the power lines
- 4.) Temporary electrical panel to be installed – George has been working with BI John Abbott on this
- 5.) Dead pine tree in the back to be removed
- 6.) Grading the hilltop

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- 7.) Tax credits for local vendors
- 8.) Mailing list
- 9.) Remove 10 feet of the stone wall next to the building

Approval of Minutes - **Motion by Clayton Randall to approve the minutes of August 7, 2017, as written; second by Cathy. The motion carried unanimously.**

Adjournment - **Motion by Cathy at 8:35 p.m. to adjourn; second by Clayton. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,  
*Cathy L. Allyn*