

1772 Meetinghouse Restoration Committee Meeting
Nov. 17, 2017
New Durham Public Library 5:00 p.m.

Members Present: George Gale, Cathy Allyn, Clayton Randall
Absent: Bob Craycraft (excused)

Others Present: Dorothy Veisel

Call to Order – Chairperson George Gale called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

Public Input – Dot Veisel said she'd entered the BOS/Restoration Committee/Boodey Farmstead Committee meeting late and was concerned with the atmosphere in the room at the time. She said she was concerned about the fate of both projects. She said she knew the BOS has been in support of the Meetinghouse, but hadn't seen much progress toward that.

The Committee indicated a number of inexpensive maintenance items such as an addition of gravel to the driveway to prevent damage to cars, removal of trees that are damaging the roof, pulling back grass to install gravel to prevent flooding and increase parking space, and simple mowing to care for the cemetery and create an outdoor performance space were presented to the BOS, but that it had not yet taken any action on them.

Chair Gale said broad use of the building is how to get grant funding, because the funding authorities are looking for community and financial support. He added that a used building is maintained. He said he'd written a maintenance plan and suggested that the BOS create a Capital Reserve Fund for maintenance to prove to LCHIP that our project is competitive when it comes to receiving grant monies.

Motion by Clayton Randall at 6:45 p.m. to recess the meeting and reconvene on Monday, November 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.; second by George Gale. The motion carried unanimously. (Note: in the interim, the date and time to reconvene were changed to November 21, 2017 at 12:00 p.m., due to a member's unavailability)

Chair Gale reconvened the meeting at 12:00 p.m. on November 21, 2017. Members present were Chair Gale, Cathy Allyn, and Clayton Randall.

Construction/Maintenance – Several items were discussed.

Outreach/Events – The Committee discussed that the project has always had public support.

Chair Gale said he would follow-up on communication with LCHIP.

Cathy Allyn said there were several people who had indicated they wanted to serve on the Committee, and that she would contact them.

Motion by Clayton Randall at 1:15 p.m. to adjourn; second by George. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy L. Allyn