

1772 MEETINGHOUSE RESTORATION COMMITTEE
MEETING

Thursday, January 30, 2019 6:00 p.m.

New Durham Public Library

Members present: Cathy Allyn, Robert Bickford, Robin Bickford, Clayton Randall

Absent: (excused) Robert Craycraft, George Gale

Call to Order: Co-chairperson Cathy Allyn called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Public Input: No public input.

Approval of Minutes: **Motion by Robin Bickford to approve the minutes of January 8, 2019, as written; second by Robert Bickford. The motion carried unanimously.**

Old Business: Petition Warrant Article and Deliberative Session - Co-chair Allyn indicated getting signatures for the petition warrant article was no problem, and the petition was turned in within deadline to be placed on the Warrant. Due to the wording regarding taking the full amount from the unassigned fund balance, the Budget Committee at its Budget Hearing did not support the article.

Clayton Randall said there was about \$50,000 left in the CRF. Bob said we should get an estimate of the cost of roof repairs. Clayton said Co-chair George Gale's timeline of completing phases of the project had that information, although, even allowing for the inflation Co-chair Gale figured in, the amount could be different. He said that putting \$100,000 in the CRF this year would bring us up to the amount where the committee felt (in 2012) we should be at. He said with those monies in the CRF, the committee could then request a grant of an amount sizable enough (matching grant) that could complete the timber and roof repairs.

Co-chair Allyn is to get a better estimate and the exact figure of what is in the CRF now for the presentation at the Deliberative Session. Bob said he would speak to the article, and Co-chair Allyn could add to the presentation. Co-chair Allyn said she would send the information to Bob, as to what has been accomplished, why the funds are necessary, what is in the CRF now, and what it will take to finish the project.

Clayton said this was the only chance the townspeople have to get a community center without taxation. He said there would likely never be a timber cut of this magnitude again.

Update on BOS Conversation - Co-chair Allyn and Bob indicated they attended a recent Board of Selectmen's meeting to update members on recent Restoration

Committee activities. They said the Board asked for language for the RFP for the frame and roof repairs.

New Business: Request for Proposals – structural repairs

Co-chair Allyn said she would ask the NH Preservation Alliance and TA Kinmond for help writing up the RFP for the frame and roof repairs.

Adjournment: **Motion by Bob at 6:24 p.m. to adjourn; second by Robin. The motion carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,
Cathy L. Allyn