

Harwinton House Committee

Minutes of Meeting

August 28, 2014

The regular meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held in the west meeting room of Town Hall on Thursday, August 28, 2014.

After establishing a quorum chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members present were Roger Plaskett, Charlie Kirchofer, Tom Rotondo, Carole Romano, Brian Dunbar, Peter Thierry, Nancy Schnyer, Matt Szydlow and Larry Connors. Also present was Michael Sileo of Amaya Architects and Ellie Woike representing Harwinton Historical Society.

Minutes of the August 14th regular meeting were approved on motion by Tom and second by Carole.

Correspondence report included solely the emails with Michael Criss regarding the necessary contract changes, previously sent to committee members.

Regarding the sprinkler system, the contract wording needs to be changed. The DECD Revision 2 budget doesn't include architect fees because the other grants covered those charges. Roger has to transfer \$4,000 from general construction to architect fees to cover the fees to design the sprinkler system. He has asked Michael Criss to send an electronic copy of the Rev. 2 budget for modification.

Mike Sileo presented characteristics of wet and dry sprinkler systems as well as some construction issues attached to each. After a general discussion Larry moved and Peter seconded to instruct Mike to proceed with design of a wet system on all four floors of the building, and the motion passed.

The sprinkler system will now have to be added to the construction documents, which still need many details to be added before completion.

There will be a combined meeting among the First Selectman, officials of HHS, and our committee, at 6 PM on September 3rd to develop a plan for how to get from where we are now to the finished building. Roger emphasized the point that the meeting is not to punish the past but rather to build a structure to move forward.

Roger recently visited the former Arthur Covey and Lois Lenski home on Harmony Hill Road, currently under restoration, and found many similarities to Harwinton House that may serve as a resource for our project.

On motion by Peter and second by Charlie the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Submitted by Larry Connors, Secretary

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