Harwinton House Committee

Minutes of Meeting

September 25, 2014

The regular meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held in the west meeting room of Town Hall on Thursday, September 25, 2014.

After establishing a quorum chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Committee members present were Roger Plaskett, Charlie Kirchofer, Carole Romano, Brian Dunbar, Peter Thierry, and Larry Connors. Also present were Michael Sileo of Amaya Architects and Ellie Woike, Bonnie Andrews and Dennis Andrews representing Harwinton Historical Society.

Minutes of the August 28th regular meeting were approved on motion by Brian and second by Peter.

Correspondence report included solely the emails between Roger and DIY Network and the requested budget change regarding the \$4,000 in architect fees relating to sprinkler system design, previously sent to committee members.

Michael Sileo showed a preliminary drawing of a proposed location for the riser and trunk for the sprinkler system, showing a box along the first story ceiling to carry a 3" to 4" pipe. He will consider using the hollow former fireplace stack as a chase. It was decided he should plan to insulate the attic space between rafters using a product to achieve the required R38 and stay with a wet attic sprinkler system.

The construction documents are moving along but are not complete or ready for us. The engineer on mechanicals has been unable to deliver his product, causing Michael to be delayed. Michael is still pondering how to show the materials in our inventory on his drawings, and he will not be able to make our regular meetings for the next two months. Larry pointed out we contracted with Amaya Architects, not Michael Sileo, and we should expect Amaya Architects to get the work done and be available if Michael cannot be. Michael committed to supply us with three sets of drawings by October 16 and Roger will schedule a special meeting for that night to review the drawings. Roger pointed out the need for completion so we can satisfy our grantors.

Roger reviewed last evening's meeting among Michael Criss, HHS and himself and presented the financial summary he used at that meeting. Mr. Criss committed to prepare and submit a STEAP grant application for three projects, Wilcox house repair and remediation, a generator system for the emergency services campus, and our project, to the total of Harwinton's \$500,000 limit. He does not put our chances of success very high. If that does not yield a satisfactory amount he will propose to his board that the Town take a request for completion funding to referendum. He will also, with input from Roger and HHS, write to certain high potential donors who might sponsor our project.

On motion by Brian and second by Peter the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Submitted by Larry Connors, Secretary