

Committee Members

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HARWINTON HOUSE COMMITTEE

Minutes

August 24, 2011

A meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held on Wednesday, August 24, 2011 in the West Conference Room.

Chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All members listed on the letterhead were in attendance except for Nancy Schnyer and Keith Golnik.

The minutes of the July 27 meeting were approved on a motion by Larry Connors, seconded by Carole Romano.

Roger Plaskett has received correspondence asking all committee members to be aware of the need to lock the Town Hall doors following our meetings. The doors were left unlocked following our last meeting. Roger also received a copy of correspondence from Marion Thierry to the Board of Selectman asking that her property on Bentley Drive be removed from consideration as a site for the Harwinton House. Larry Connors asked the secretary to acknowledge Marion's generous offer.

Roger advised the committee that he has provided the DECD Proposal Package Status consisting of Deconstruction Documents, Project

Timeline, Monthly Progress Reports (Feb – Jul), Monthly Fundraising Report and an Updated Cost Matrix.

Roger reported on the most recent Harwinton Historical Society meeting which was held on July 31. Since that meeting was the society's annual picnic there was not a lot of hard business discussion. Roger intends to discuss the society's plans for Harwinton House fundraising at the society's next meeting on Monday, August 29. Roger also reported that he had not received any word from the Chilton Foundation regarding his request for financial assistance.

Larry Connors and Tom Rotondo reported on their meeting with Engineering Consultant David Whitney at which they discussed approaches to a feasibility study. David felt that our feasibility study focusing on two town owned sites, with several maps available to us, is too small a job to justify an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) process. He felt we could do some aspects like sewage disposal, site survey, soil testing and test pits on our own and then use an RFP (Request for Proposal) to complete the feasibility study. He recommended we seek further definition from the Harwinton Historical Society regarding their plans for using the house and property and that we review those plans with IWWC, Planning and Zoning commissions for their input. The committee's subsequent discussion of the item resulted in a motion by Tom Rotondo, seconded by Larry Connors, to spend up to \$500 to hire a soil scientist to delineate wetlands on both sites. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:47 on a motion by Carole Romano, seconded by Peter Thierry.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Pacholski, Secretary