

Committee Members

Roger Plaskett
Tom Rotondo
Brian Dunbar
Larry Connors
Dick Pacholski
Peter Thierry
Carole Romano
Nancy Schnyer
Keith Golnik

Greg Farmer - Consultant



HARWINTON HOUSE COMMITTEE

Minutes

October 12, 2011

A meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 in the West Conference Room.

Chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. All members listed on the letterhead were in attendance except for Keith Golnik.

The minutes of the September 14 meeting were approved on a motion by Peter Thierry, seconded by Brian Dunbar.

Chairman Roger Plaskett read the DECD reports for August and September along with a statement to be submitted for the Town of Harwinton annual report. There were no suggested additions or corrections.

The committee reviewed the Harwinton House Cost Matrix which now shows \$80,192.90 expended.

According to Dick Pacholski, the Harwinton Historical Society meeting on September 26 focused primarily on preparations for the Harwinton Fair. The fundraising portion of the agenda generated little energy. Dick

and Roger plan to address the fundraising issue at the society's board of director's meeting on Thursday, October 20.

Tom Rotondo provided an update on the site evaluation process. Soil scientist Tom Stansfield agreed to conduct the survey for a fee not to exceed \$400. He has since flagged wetland areas at the two proposed locations. As a result Tom sees no major wetland problems at either location. He favors the location east of Town Hall and he presented an informal sketch of how the re-assembled house might set in that location. Tom also suggested that the group consider a "Living Museum" option which would present a more accurate reassembly of the house as it was in its' time (without septic, electricity, central heat, etc.). As a result the cost of reassembly would be reduced. Tom is aware of a museum house in Farmington that was done on that basis. He agreed to find out more about that house.

Larry Connors has had preliminary discussions with the Torrington Area Health District. They provided suggestions and comments regarding the septic aspect of the project. There were no apparent major obstacles uncovered. Larry was surprised to find up to date maps and drawings lacking at Town Hall. He is attempting to recover the documents from the original surveyor's office.

The meeting adjourned at 8:04 on a motion by Nancy Schnyer, seconded by Tom Rotondo.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Pacholski, Secretary