

Harwinton House Committee

Minutes of Meeting

October 16, 2013

The regular meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held in the main meeting hall of Town Hall on Wednesday, October 16, 2013.

After establishing a quorum chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM. Committee members present were Roger Plaskett, Peter Thierry, Brian Dunbar, Tom Rotondo, Carole Romano and Larry Connors

Minutes of the October 1 meeting were approved on a motion by Brian and second by Peter.

Roger mentioned correspondence members received previously via email regarding the required annual report, which Roger will do, and the monthly report, which has been done.

Roger presented copies of a financial summary he constructed and reconciled to Town Treasurer records. The Restoration Fund stands at \$41,394 after having paid \$9,500 to Amaya Architects. The STEAP grant balance available is \$69,407. We have committed additional \$12,300 to Amaya to complete the contract. That leaves us with uncommitted funds of \$98,501. Roger observed that of this amount only approximately \$29,000 would qualify for state matching grant programs.

A spirited discussion ensued regarding the possibility of a phased concept utilizing non-grant funds and in-kind donations, with members expressing optimism and support for active participation in the project. Roger reported master mason Michael Angelicola, known for his excellent work on South Road wall repairs, has volunteered to build the fireplaces for a substantially reduced rate. Michael Criss has agreed to do the plumbing and John Truskauskas will dig the cellar hole. It is well established that several committee members will undertake some of the carpentry. Larry volunteered to develop a plan for clearing the land. We will proceed with a target of breaking ground in the spring.

Bonnie and Dennis Andrews have been designated by Harwinton Historical Society to attend our meetings as their representatives.

Inasmuch as our next regular meeting would fall on November 5, Election Day, it was decided we should next meet on Wednesday, November 20.

On motion by Peter and second by Tom the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 PM.

Submitted by Larry Connors, Secretary

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