

Harwinton House Committee

Minutes of Meeting

January 22, 2014

The regular meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held in the west meeting room of Town Hall on Wednesday, January 22, 2014.

After establishing a quorum chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members present were Roger Plaskett, Peter Thierry, Charlie Kirchofer, Tom Rotondo, Nancy Schnyer and Larry Connors. Also present were Bonnie and Dennis Andrews representing Harwinton Historical Society, as well as First Selectman Michael Criss.

Minutes of the January 8 meeting were accepted as presented pursuant to motion by Tom and second by Peter.

Correspondence from Amaya via email stated their engineer would provide complete site layout including house, septic and parking for \$2,000. In addition we have confirmation from Land Use Coordinator Polly Redmond that the site plan mylar has been signed and filed.

Amaya has sent us an estimate of what it would cost for a "shell only" construction project, showing a cost of \$236,150.

Roger reported several items from his January 15 meeting with Michael Criss:

- The fee for building permit will be waived as this is a Town project.
- A phased construction approach will be acceptable as this was assumed by the Board.
- It is OK to begin work on laying out and clearing the site.
- It is Michael's intention to provide plumbing services as needed.
- Larry Wagner, a grant writer, will meet with Michael and Roger to go over our plan. It is expected that our exterior lighting and the driveway and parking lot paving can be included in the grant to be filed by the Town for improvements to the existing Town compound. Mr. Wagner has a 98% success rate in grant applications.
- We should not be subject to prevailing wage regulations as long as we phase the project to keep the jobs under \$400,000.

Michael will produce a vendor list for firms or individuals he thinks may provide the services we need to complete Amaya's task breakdown. He plans to make the initial contact with each potential provider then turn the follow-up over to our committee.

Larry presented his first draft of an in-kind services spreadsheet on the site portion only. Having met with committee acceptance he will do the same with the building portion and will begin to flesh out the names, services and amounts columns. He asked all committee members to provide names and skills of people they think might give time or materials.

Harwinton Historical Society had no report except that the Board of Directors would meet on January 23.

Roger reported Matt Szydlo is unable to attend meetings on our current schedule. After eliminating several potential evenings the committee asked Roger to explore other days with Matt, in particular first and third Thursdays.

On motion by Peter and second by Nancy the meeting was adjourned at 7:59 PM.

Submitted by Larry Connors, Secretary

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