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

March 9, 2011

A meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held on Wednesday, March 9, 2011 in the West Conference Room at the Harwinton Town Hall.

Chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. All members listed on the letterhead except for Nancy Schnyer and Greg Farmer were in attendance. Also attending was Bud Wilkinson of the Waterbury Republican.

A motion by Peter Thierry, seconded by Carole Romano, to accept the minutes of the May 2 meeting passed unanimously with an abstention from Keith Golnick who did not attend the May 2 meeting.

Roger Plaskett reviewed the Board Finance meeting on March 3 which resulted in a 3 to 2 vote in favor of recommending the \$150,000 STEAP grant be put on the Town Meeting agenda.

Roger passed out copies of the Appelt's letter to the first selectman along with a copy of the bill of sale and the agreement between the Appelts and the town of Harwinton which was prepared by town attorney Mike Rybak.

The committee then discussed potential startegies for the town hall meeting on March 15. Roger has prepared and the committee discussed a flyer designed to inform and encourage support for the project which has been copied and is available at the entrance to Town Hall. Roger will incorporate suggestions made by the committee and will email a copy to the Harwinton Historical Society newsletter recipients. Dick Pacholski and Brian Dunbar agreed to make additional copies available at local establishments.

The group discussed potential opposition to the project and possible responses to opponents. Roger will be sure to emphasize that it is the mission of this committee to fund this and future phases of this project without using local taxpayer dollars. Dick Pacholski will attempt to get a Historical Society member other than those sitting on this committee to speak in favor of the project at the Town Meeting. Roger will not present information regarding future phases of the project but will be prepared to offer possibilities based on a variety of suggestions he has received.

The next committee meeting is set for Wednesday, March 16, at 7:00 PM at the Harwinton Town Hall.

A motion to adjourn by Brian Dunbar, seconded by Keith Golnick, passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 8:06.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Pacholski, Secretary