## **Harwinton House Committee**

## Minutes of Meeting

## August 14th, 2014

The regular meeting of the Harwinton House Committee was held in the west meeting room of Town Hall on Thursday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

After establishing a quorum chairman Roger Plaskett called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Committee members present were Roger Plaskett, Charlie Kirchofer, Tom Rotondo, Carole Romano, Brian Dunbar and Nancy Schnyer. Also present was Michael Sileo of Amaya Architects.

In the absence of Larry Connors, Chairman Plaskett appointed himself as meeting secretary.

Minutes of the July 24<sup>th</sup> regular meeting were approved.

Under "Correspondence" Chairman Plaskett went over the Monthly Report for DECD and the letter that he sent to Mrs. York under the authorship of the Municipal Historian. He added that no response from Mrs. York has been received. He stated that he shared the letter with Michael Criss on August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Michael Sileo spoke on the impact of the addition of a sprinkler system to the cost of the architectural work. He said that in lieu of the fact that the quote included an additional \$4,000 if there were an elevator to be designed into the structure, inasmuch as there is no elevator, he said that Amaya Architects would design a sprinkler system for the same amount (\$4,000). Chairman Plaskett added that the DECD approved budget would need to be amended taking \$4,000 from the "General Construction" line item and adding it to the Design/Consultant/Architect line item.

Michael added that there are options for a sprinkler system i.e. wet or dry systems. He stated that the attic and basement would need to have some sort of heating with the addition of a sprinkler system. Discussion ensued regarding the advantages of incorporating a system into the building including Insurance savings, Fire Marshall Approval and Historic Preservation future Grant Application chances.

This committee directed Amaya Architects to put together a proposal of Sprinkler system options to be presented at our August 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. Amaya is using Atlantic Consulting for the Sprinkler System design.

Chairman Plaskett will contact Michael Criss about how to handle the Architects contract change with the addition of the system, how to handle the probable DECD budget change and other project related issues as soon as possible.

Michael Sileo had a copy of the Project specifications and it looked about 1.5 inches thick. He added that it is at about 85% complete and he needed to add sections regarding repair of historic components. He hoped to have that by the next meeting also.

We discussed how to achieve closure with the CT Trust and the HPTAG. Further discussion will occur at the August 28th meeting.

On motion by Brian Dunbar and second by Carole Romano the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Submitted by Roger Plaskett, Meeting Secretary

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