

Old Town Hall Preservation Committee
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022 - Meeting time: 7 pm

Call to Order - 7:00 pm

Attendees: Sherry Beety, Bruce Beety, Grace Davis and Susie Hanley. Lauriejane Kelley was not present.

Secretary's Report 10 mins

No March meeting- no minutes

The OTH April 5th minutes were amended and sent to Patty to be posted.

The OTHPC May 3rd Draft minutes will be amended and then sent to Patty for posting.

Financial report 10 mins

Includes: Savings account, donation account, income expenditures

No oil is being delivered to the Old Town Hall. The tank is 3/4 full and we need to check the tank weekly. The leftover fuel will have to be dealt with before construction begins. Our only consistent expenditure at this point has been the electric bill. There is nothing new in the donations account. We need to light a fire for donations!!!

We feel we are stymied by the lack of an on-line payment method for the OTH Fund. We have addressed our request and the concerns with the Select Board, and they hope the with the new technology coming into the MC, that folks will be able to do many tasks on-line. (I.e. pay taxes, registrations, and donations) We feel we are missing local monetary support because most people don't write or use checks anymore.

Old/New Business: 40 mins

Administration:

Letters for donations

- Poland Spring has been sent in
- Hannaford Mini Grant has been written, needs editing, and budget materials
- We need to create a letter explicitly for Individual Donors

Fund raising ideas – Quilt, Afghan, cord of wood

Heidi at the DML will take on displaying the afghan and selling tickets, and Lauriejane will set Heidi up for collect the money for both the Afghan and Wood raffle on an on-going basis. Bev at the MC will manage the raffle for the quilt later in the year.

* Need to create and print tickets for each of the 3 raffles

Facebook Page - updates

- raffle information on our page
- Okay to put our OTH Update on our page
- *Ask for potential wood raffle donations

Create RAFFLE POSTERS -

We need to be sharing information regarding our (2) OTH raffles and would like to make them to be put around town Facebook page, OTHOC website, the DML, and fireworks.

OTH Construction Update - We want to pass on firm information we have on the next steps in our process. Recently the OTHPC met with Austin Gregory the author of the 2018 engineering report regarding the stability of the OTH. We asked him to reassess the building and update his report. We also asked Rick Irons to the meeting with Gregory to hear about the extent of the movement of the building which is significant. Moving forward after we all receive Austin Gregory's report, Rick Irons will update his bid to cover full replacement of the foundation.

Met with Select Board and reviewed bids, and we are all waiting on the updated engineering report from Austin Gregory (2-3 weeks late).

New Town website -

History of the building; Application to download and print to rent OTH (easy access); 1st and 2nd floor pictures of the OTH (advertising), link to our Facebook page; link to donate

* Susie will meet with Patty and the manager of the new Town of Limington website and get Old Town Hall Preservation committee presence on the new town website.

Classes at the OTH -

ZUMBA is coming to the OTH!!! ZUMBA is coming to the OTH!!! ZUMBA is coming to the OTH!!!

The class will be held 2 times a week for 6 weeks starting soon.

As in the past, we will charge a recurring group charge currently \$10.00 a course session to the instructor.

Encourage, don't discourage

Facebook - Let folks know about the up coming raffles. We need to share firm information.

Create a New Sign for the OTH -

Have the sign reflect monies we have and where we want to go!

Grants Submitted:

Stephen and Tabitha King \$25,000

Narragansett \$75,000 - awarded \$10,000!!

Grants ON HOLD:

Save America Treasures Grant (SAT) Grant Program through the National Park Service.

Belvedere Historical Preservation Energy Efficiency Grant due June 1st

** Maine Community web site has a list of grants, and of that list there are only 1 we can apply for.

Maintenance:

OTH Basement clean up -

Take pictures of the items in the basement of the OTH and send/show them to the Select Board member and ask if they are wanted by the town or is it all refuse? We will set a date for the clean up party after one of us has met with the Select People. Nice wood 2x10x30 boards; toilets and sinks; air conditioners, pallets, etc. We will find out from the Select Board if we need to remove all the stuff in the basement or the Town Works will do it prior to work on the OTH.

Limington TOWN HALL sign - removed before construction by Sebago Sign Works
Sherry will call Devon.

Projects ON HOLD

- OTH Graphic and stationery
- Window repair
- Front Door painting
- Stairs and ramp repair
- Sign atop of the building
- Table Dolly purchase

Review Action Plan for next meeting June 7th, 2022 @ 7 pm