

Town Hall Committee Meeting Notes
Unapproved
January 24, 2018

Present: Scott Bassage, Clif Emmons, Donna Fitch, John McCullough, David Schutz, Denise Wheeler

Interior stairs:

- John has okay from Glenn Moore, Labor and Industry, to keep the noncompliant interior stairs. Fire door required. Glenn has given his ok.
- John has asked Glenn if the fire door can be treated as a smoke enclosure and, therefore, one of the old doors with glass window could be used. (Glass might need to be replaced with safety glass.)

Window restoration estimate:

- Received from Jamie Weiner - \$10,000 (worst case scenario) includes hardware, top sashes fixed, lower sashes will rise.

Flood plain, culvert & Milone & McBroom report:

- John wanted reassurance that the reasons for raising the building 14" was understood by the committee. He noted his current design does not include flood proofing.
- Milone and McBroom provided many options.
- The design chosen incorporates the base flood elevation plan, approved by Sasha Peeler, Regional River Scientist and Flood Plain Manager at ANR, which is based on the current culvert becoming clogged.
- Note: 1984 flood in Gospel Hollow was caused by clogged culvert.
- If a new culvert is installed the base flood elevation drops
- John spoke with Ned Swanberg, Dept of Environmental Conservation Regional Flood Plain Manager for the Central Region (!). There is new money for flood hazard mitigation. Ned said to call Dan Currier, Ct Vt Regional Planning.
- Dan Currier said an engineering report is required; Calais has the Milone and McBroom report already.
- AOT has money not yet advertised, according to Dan, for up to \$250,000 for hazard mitigation.
- The committee noted we don't want to miss the opportunity to apply for these grants.
- In summary, the committee agreed:
 - The building will be lifted 14" minimum.
 - The current renovation plan will continue as planned, ie, culvert does not impact the plan.
 - Jonathan and Toby need to stay on top of the culvert grants.
 - The culvert can be installed later – not necessary as part of this phase of the renovation.

CPG Enterprises Proposal

- Shana Trombley, Christine Graham's associate, will be working with the town.
- Item #4 in the proposal (donor list, prospect research, solicitation training) removed along with the cost, though a capital campaign may come later

- Reference to Vt Council on Arts Grant to be replaced with VT Historic Preservation grant or other grants.
- Lisa Ryan will only be involved in helping town with CDBG grant. Shana can assist in other grants.
- David has conference call today with Christine and Lisa.
- Donna to send Shana the draft "Outline for Community Presentations." Shana to meet with committee at its next meeting: Wed, Jan. 31.
- Need to add people to committee for fundraising.
- Need support people in each village for community presentation.
- Shana/Christine will help s flush out the fundraising plan going forward beyond this phase – where will the money come from?
- Town should approach the Atwater Kent Foundation.
- Community presentations should include the possibility of town meetings again at the town hall.

Notes taken by Donna