

Initial Meeting of the Ad Hoc Schoolhouse Committee

November 15, 2018

Present: Hans Bergmann, Greg Boehmcke, Dottie Bonbrake, Betsy Spears, and Dave Whitbeck

Representing the Select Board was Brian Tobin.

Meeting started at 7 PM.

Brian Tobin, Selectman introduced everyone. He notified us that at the Select Board meeting on November 7, 2018 we were officially appointed to serve on this ad hoc committee. He covered a number of key issues including ethics, open meeting law, and conflict of interest. He then swore us in.

The following issues were highlighted:

We were only to concern ourselves with the moving of the schoolhouse to Garrett Gardens and not to any other restoration issues.

Financing – how to raise funds, keep it pledged, and keep it separately from any other non-profit funds.

Zoning issues would be worked out with the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Logistics. Had estimates as to feasibility and cost of actual move from Scott Morrison.

Does historical status change if it is moved from its present location? How will this affect grant applications?

Select Board would like a progress report by Presidents Day 2019.

Dottie nominated Hans as Chairman. Betsy seconded it. Vote was unanimous.

Hans nominated Dottie to be Secretary. Vote was unanimous.

Dave has received some preliminary estimates for move (\$18K) and excavation / foundation (\$20K).

Next meeting will be December 6, 2018.

Marcy Meyer & Steve Thompson are available if we need some additional help.

Note: when the Board of Health gives an opinion, get the specific law which backs up their issues.

Planning Board is Bill Short, Morgan Bulkeley, Keith Torrico, Liam Dugan, Nancy Wright. Nancy will not be available until after the first of the year.

ZBA is Mac Waggaman, Eleanor Tillinghast, John Alexander, Peter Diamond, Scott Miller.

Before next meeting:

Hans will contact Gary Handel re: architectural advice/drawings.

Dottie will attend Select Board meeting on November 19, 2019 and ask the question regarding do we need title to the property in order to move the school house. If so would Gail be willing to do the Quiet Title work?

Betsy & Brian will talk with a Not For Profit consultant.

Greg will get the Plot Plan.

Dave will get additional estimates on the various steps in the move.

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 PM.

Respectfully submitted by,

Dottie Bonbrake