

3rd Meeting of the Ad Hoc Schoolhouse Committee

December 20, 2018

Present: Hans Bergmann, Greg Boehmcke, Dottie Bonbrake, Betsy Spears, and Dave Whitbeck. Representing the Select Board was Brian Tobin.

Hans called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

December 6, 2018 meeting minutes were approved and will be posted to the town website.

Hans reported that Gary Handel might be able to offer architectural advice. Other architects are Gregory Farmer, who specializes in historical buildings and grant applications. Also, Greg Pulfer, who did the architectural drawing of the existing building.

Hans also contacted Cope & Anne Garrett to keep them in the loop and also see if their foundation, which maintains the memorial garden, has funds available to maintain the schoolhouse. The answer on funds for maintenance is no.

Brian sent an email to a lady who taught a course on funds and philanthropy. No response. He also has a friend who had a historic schoolhouse moved in Old Bridge, NJ. (see Thomas-Warne-Museum.org)

Greg set up a Google collaboration site to share info. The Plot Plan is on the Google site.

Dave got a second estimate for moving the building which was significantly higher. He is waiting on foundation bids.

Hans will email Bill Short to get on the Planning Board agenda January 10, 2019.

No additional arguments pro-con for moving the schoolhouse.

Invite Ellie Lovejoy to January meeting.

Contact Berkshire Engineering regarding feasibility/planning/testing septic. Possibility schoolhouse could contribute some of the cost of fixing town's septic and tie in to it.

Need to have a conversation with Cope on how committed the funds pledged are.

Next meetings January 3rd, January 10th with Planning Board, and January 24th.

Brian suggested that the Historical Society set-up a sub-account to cover incidental schoolhouse expenses (copies of drawings, etc.).

Before the meeting January 3rd:

Brian will set-up a conference call with Cope, Hans, and himself.

Betsy will contact the VanAndens.

Hans will touch base with Bill Short and Emby regarding the Planning Board meeting on January 10th. He will also invite Ellie to our January 3rd meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06.

Respectfully submitted.

Dottie Bonbrake