

## Ad Hoc Schoolhouse Committee Meeting – July 21, 2021

Nathan, Sheila, Brian and I met and we agreed to meet next on **Wednesday, August 4th, at 7pm.**

Brief notes on the meeting:

1. Brian explained that the Parsons survey of the West Street Schoolhouse site is now in the hands of the lawyer, Beth Goodman. Finally! And thank you, Brian., She will need evidence of the town's historical and continuing use and maintenance of the site and Schoolhouse to establish a quiet title argument to go before the Probate Court. Judy Whitbeck is helping establishing the evidence through a newspaper article from the 1930s, through other documents.
2. Sheila spoke about being willing to start talking with various townspeople about how the Schoolhouse, if moved, could be used as cultural venue, museum, visitor's center, or more. We want to work toward a convincing Plan of Use and Plan of Continuing Support. We need this to present to the town as well as to the Massachusetts Cultural Commission.
3. Sheila will speak tomorrow to 377 Builders, the company that did the original Cost Estimation for the Schoolhouse. And ask them to update their estimates.
4. Nathan will speak to a firm — Foresight — about an Environmental Survey of the Garrett Garden site.
5. We undoubtedly need a Septic Plan as well.
6. The Cost Estimation, the Environmental Survey, and the Septic Plan could come under the Feasibility Study grant we currently have. We may, however, need to raise more Feasibility money to pay the town half of the cost. (The other half being paid by the MCC feasibility grant).
7. The Massachusetts Historical Commission also needs forms filled out.

Notes taken by Hans Bergman.