

## **Minutes of Municipal Building Committee**

April 27, 2015, Town Hall, 7pm

Present were chairman Paul Newlin, Virginia Allis, Adelia Bardwell, Anita Husted, Judy Markland, and Fred Orloski. Also attending was Mark Pruhenski.

The minutes of April 13, 2015 distributed at the April 21 meeting were approved.

There was a lengthy discussion of the form to be used for the motion to postpone Article 26 on the warrant and whether it should be a motion to postpone to a time certain or to an indefinite date. After consulting "Town Meeting Time" published by the Massachusetts Municipal Association, it was decided not to vote an indefinite postponement.

The committee approved the following wording for the town meeting motion: "I move to postpone a vote on Article 26 until a special town meeting to be held by the end of June".

The group discussed whether to hire Jones-Whitsett to be the consultant for both town offices at the WRMLS building and at town hall or to hire HAI Architects, the firm that designed the WRMLS building, to do the designs there. Hiring Jones-Whitsett would save about \$10,000, but HAI presumably has a better understanding of the building, and might do the job faster. Some felt also that HAI might have more credibility with some voters.

Judy argued that it would take HAI longer to understand town office needs than it would Jones-Whitsett to understand the WRMLS building and that there might be problems if one set of numbers was considered more credible than another.

The group voted to hire HAI for the WRMLS part of the project.

The committee reviewed the text of the Q&A on questions raised during the facilitation process so copies could be distributed at town meeting and made some changes. Judy will get the revised document to Maryellen for printing.

The next meeting will be at 5pm on Monday, May 4.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Markland

document discussed at the meeting:

"Town Office Option Q&A", draft 3.