Minutes of the Municipal Building Committee and Historical Commission Joint Meeting

March 7, 2016 at 6:00pm, Town Offices

Present were Building Committee members: Virginia Allis, Adelia Bardwell, Dan Kennedy, Judy Markland, and Fred Orloski; and Historical Commission members Alan McArdle, Susan Baron, Judy Markland and Donna Wiley. Also present was Dan Denehy.

The minutes of February 1, 2016 were approved.

Alan discussed his research into other town halls which have been rehabilitated for community use. The people involved with the Berlin Town Hall will be available to meet with some of us on March 16 or 23. It was agreed that Alan and Adelia will visit there on the 16th. Other possible towns to visit include W. Stockbridge, similar size but a higher median income than in Whately, and Tyngsboro, which has a similar income level but is larger.

The CPC public hearing on this year's funding requests will be on Wednesday, March 9 at 6pm.

The group discussed our public meeting to increase understanding of our CPA request prior to town meeting. It was agreed that it would be on April 4 at 7pm. Fred will determine if it is possible to hold it at Town Hall. The Historical Commission will work on a handout with the plans and potential financing options. We will need several easels to show the large boards with the plans. Judy will get the plans up on the Building Committee's web page, which already has a link to the Community Space Needs Survey Report.

Respectfully submitted, Judy Markland