Minutes of the Municipal Building Committee & Historical Commission Joint Meeting May 1, 2017 at 6:00pm, Town Offices

Present were Building Committee members Virginia Allis, Adelia Bardwell, Anita Husted, Dan Kennedy, Judy Markland, Fred Orloski, Ed Sklepowicz and John Wroblewski; and Historical Commission members Susan Baron, Judy Markland, and Donna Wiley.

The minutes of the April 4 meeting were approved.

The group discussed the upcoming town meeting and the need to turn out supporters of the Town Hall warrant items.

John and Fred reported that Greg's Wastewater had discovered the location of the Post Office leaching field, which is adjacent to Town Hall at the spot where the handicapped parking spaces and two other spaces have been planned. The field and pipes are very shallow. John suggested that the best option would be to connect the Post Office septic tank to the Town Hall leaching field and will touch base with Valerie Bird to see if this would pose any problems.

Fred had talked to Melissa Caldwell, owner of the property to the rear of the Smikes House and she is amenable to talking about selling land to the town for more parking spaces. Fred suggests that the town propose brush cutting as a partial payment. Judy suggested that the town propose buying an easement for parking rather than the land itself, since this should be cheaper while giving Melissa more control over the land's use. John will draw up a plan for the parking before anyone talks to Melissa.

The group discussed the list of comments that Fred had compiled from the committee members and past discussions and a list of questions provided by John. Fred will consolidate those based on this discussion. It was agreed that Fred and Brian would talk to Kristian and complain about the poor quality of the specs and request a book that accurately reflects the current plan..

Fred raised the issue of cleaning out Town Hall. It was agreed that there was plenty of time before a date need be set. Adelia agreed to remind the Grange that it would be necessary to remove their items.

The next meeting will be on June 5 at 4pm if needed.

Respectfully submitted Judy Markland

Documents discussed and on file:

Final Comments of Whately Town Hall Plans and Specifications by Fred Orloski, Apr. 30, 2017.

T.H Spec Book Questions, undated, by John Wroblewski

Hand-drawn diagram of the location of the Post Office septic pipe and leaching field.