

## **Old Meetinghouse Revitalization (OMRC) Meeting Minutes**

**May 29, 2019**

**6:00 PM**

**Epsom Public Library**

**Final Copy**

**Committee present:** Deb Sargent, Val Long, Chuck Driesbach, Norm Yeaton, Meadow Wysocki, Virginia Drew

*The Old Meetinghouse Revitalization Committee meets to continue efforts to bring the Old Meetinghouse up to code for occupancy so it may be utilized as a community space. It is the goal of the committee to finance the effort through fundraising without utilizing taxpayer dollars.*

### **I. Review and Adoption of May 15, 2019 Minutes**

Minor changes made to the minutes. Meadow made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Val seconded the motion. Minutes were accepted as amended.

### **II. Epsom Organization List Review**

Virginia handed out a list of organizations in Epsom. Discussed reaching out to these organizations for support in our efforts, not necessarily for a donation but to support our efforts in fundraising and community support. Virginia will be the contact person for this group. She will work on a letter to be presented to the groups with a copy of the updated brochure. The intended message is "What can we do for you" as well as possibly working on a joint effort for fundraising and being allowed to fundraise at their events.

### **III. Historical Association Committee Application Process**

Deb handed out the application for joining the Epsom Historical Association Committee. Virginia brought the committee up to date on the current proceedings of the Epsom Historical Associations and that they will be coming together in the very near future. Reminded group that all items and funds received by the OMRC from the Epsom Historical Association will need to be approved by the BOS. Val had sent in her application but had not heard anything yet. Virginia indicated that the mail for the Historical Association had not been checked for 6 months. Norm and Virginia are already on the committee. Meadow expressed her concern with members joining to push through our committee's initiative and that members should only join if they intend to work with the EHAC on all areas of their directive. The group agreed.

### **IV. OMRC Brochure Updates**

Meadow provided updates on the proposed changes to the brochure including layout changes, wording and updating pictures. She will be working with Cheryl to get these changes made and send it out to the committee for review. Also discussed updating the Facebook page name to have the Old Meetinghouse be at the beginning of the name so it appears more readily when searched.

## **V. Grant Updates**

Val updated the status of the Moose Plate Grant application. Application went in early. LCHIP grant application letter of intent missed the deadline, however, Val submitted it anyway and sent a letter of explanation for the delay. She is moving forward with the work on this grant with the hopes that the letter will be accepted and we can submit the application.

## **VI. OMRC Volunteer Waiver Form**

Deb contacted Dawn at the town office to get an updated form and Dawn is still working on this. Also there is a waiver form the committee should have signed when they completed their original paperwork at the beginning of the year, however she does not have this form and will get back to us with further instructions. Also waiting on information as to the use of minors in the cleanup projects and the required waivers if allowed.

## **VII. Other**

Chuck handed out an updated list of business with the contact follow-up distribution names included so the committee will know who is following up with which company. Waiting for the new brochure to go along with this contact.

Chuck – Bruce and Chuck met with Joel French concerning public access to the interior and exterior space. He was receptive but had a few items that we would need to have onsite before this could happen. Chuck requested he give us a list of the required items.

Deb indicated that the last meeting minutes on the town web site are from March 20<sup>th</sup>. All Draft and Final minutes should be sent to Dawn at the town office as well as the full committee. Dawn indicated to Deb that the committee can decide if they want to keep the minutes internally or submit them to the BOS. Virginia indicated that this decision would need to be made by the BOS and not the committee and that we should keep it as it has been and submit to the Town for posting on the town web site. The person taking the minutes for the each meeting will be responsible for submitting both the draft and final copy of the minutes to the committee as well as send a copy to the current town office representative (currently Dawn.Calley-Murdough@epsomnh.org) previous missing minutes will be submitted by the person who had taken them.

Norm mentioned a conversation with Gary Perry regarding wood flooring at Webster Park Shed. Norm and Chuck will make time to view the items.

Norm requested bodies to move the pews to the basement. Should be two people upstairs and 2 people downstairs. Possible date 6/5 from 9-12. Val's husband Richard will be there on this date and time to assist.

Deb – Dawn mentioned that we have a blank calendar for our town web page and did we want to leave it or take it down. The group indicated that we should leave it so we can publish events

and activities for the group. Also the web page indicates Fundraising in process but does not provide any additional information. Virginia will give the updated postcard information to Dawn to be included in this section. Also will add a statement for organizations that are interested in fundraising for the Meetinghouse to please contact Deb Sargent at the email or phone number indicated.

Next meeting will be on June 26, 2019

Chuck made a motion that the meeting be adjourned, seconded by Val. The meeting ended at 7:45pm

Respectfully submitted,

Meadow Wysocki