

Old Meetinghouse Revitalization (OMRC) Meeting Minutes
September 17, 2020
6 PM
Old Meetinghouse
Final

Committee Present: Meadow Wysocki, Virginia Drew, Norman Yeaton, Chuck Driesbach, Kristy Ellsworth

Public present: Deb Sargent

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. Approve 9/2/20 minutes

Minor changes were made to meeting minutes. Meadow made a motion to approve minutes as amended. Norm seconded. Approved 5-0

II. New Members

The committee welcomes Kristy Ellsworth to the group. She will be sworn in on 9/18/20.

III. Restroom Construction Planning

Virginia talked with Home Depot concerning the materials needed for the upcoming work on the bathrooms and back walls. She spoke to a manager about the possibility of donated or discounted materials for the project. The manager indicated she would need to put this request in writing. Chuck suggested Virginia write something up and she requested Chuck provide a more detailed list to be included with the request. He also suggested she include his contact information so he can field questions

IV. Fundraising updates

Kristy has been looking at other organizations who might be amenable to allowing us to utilize their 501c3 status to do fundraising. She suggested we look at the Elks. She will also evaluate the states list of active 501c3 organizations to see what other options might be a possibility. Meadow provided an update from the Trustee of Trust Funds concerning utilizing GoFundMe. With feedback from the NH Charitable Foundation we have been approved to move forward. The BOS has approved the initiative. NHCF has also indicated that we should be able to be exempt from fees with GoFundMe because we are a charitable group chartered by the municipality. Meadow will look into this further to confirm. She and Kristy will work together to define and setup the GoFundMe campaign with the approval of the OMRC.

V. Lighting Update

Chuck provided updates of what was found when investigating the power source to the lighting. It appears the conduit with the wires had been cut during the move. Not a simple fix. Norm indicated the best direction to take would be to find the junction box and hook in from there. Chuck and Norm will be coming in on Saturday morning to look at this option.

Other

Saturday morning at 8am, anyone that is available is requested to meet to clean the space in preparation for the tours coming up. The tours have been scheduled and a few groups have signed up. Virginia will continue to publish the opportunity to fill the open spots. Meadow will provide a projector and Kristy will put together a slide show to have running during the viewing. Virginia will provide Kristy with the materials needed to pull together the slide show. Chuck asked Virginia to provide the group with the list of times and attendees for the tours.

Meadow made a motion to adjourn. Norman seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:42 pm.

Next Scheduled OMRC meeting is on October 1, 2020 at 5pm at the Old Meetinghouse.

Respectfully submitted by Meadow Wysocki