

**Old Meeting House Revitalization Committee (OMHRC) Meeting**  
**February 8, 2018**  
**6:00 PM**  
**Epsom Public Library**  
**DRAFT**

**Present:** Val Long, Virginia Drew, Deb Sargent, and Chuck Driesbach.

**Review of Minutes from January 17, 2018**

The minutes from January 17, 2017 were reviewed and motion was made by Chuck Driesbach, seconded by Deb Sargent. They were approved and will be sent to Kelly Dearborn-Luce to be formally posted.

**Approve Newspaper Article Acknowledging Past Meeting House Committee Members**

We refined the list of folks who worked on the Old Meeting House.

Virginia will ask the BOS on Monday when we should send the article out. It will also be put up on the Epsom Community Facebook site and the 1861 Church Facebook site. The newspapers the article will be sent to: The Messenger; Suncook Valley Sun; Concord Monitor; and Union Leader.

**Review of Strategic Plan and Tasks**

Tasks #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 are accomplished, and awaiting approval from the BOS. Val will modify according to changes we've made to the plan and send out revised strategic plan to committee and BOS. We also discussed future tasks in the strategic plan and started thinking about when we may be able to address them.

**Review of Listening Session Questions and Process**

We reviewed the listening session prompts and made revisions. We discussed the listening session process and that it would be ideal to have help. The number of hours involved and the fact that we want unbiased listening sessions are good reasons to have outside help. Val contacted UNH Cooperative Extension community and economic development team to inquire about whether they could provide assistance with the listening sessions.

UNH Cooperative Extension does not charge for their service as they are supported by county, state and federal funding.

Dr. Charlie French responded that they would be glad to help and introduced her to Jared Reynolds who covers Merrimack County for UNH Cooperative Extension. Val will send Jared and Charlie our listening session questions. Val will ask Jared to come to our next meeting.

We will be thinking about dates for listening sessions and following guidance from Charlie and Jared about how many should be done.

### **Review of Email Survey Questions**

We reviewed the email survey questions again and made additional revisions. Val will send the email survey questions to the BOS with a deadline date.

Virginia will ask the BOS about when to conduct email survey (rather than waiting until after town vote on March 13th). In the meantime, we need to know if the BOS will pay for three months of an upgraded SurveyMonkey plan to allow us to email all of the surveys out (and have some advanced analysis).

### **Schedule of Meetings**

February 28 @ 6 PM at the Library

March 14 @ 6 PM at the Library

The meeting ended at 7:30 PM.

**Respectfully submitted,**

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