

Old Meeting House Revitalization Committee (OMHRC) Meeting
March 14, 2018
6:00 PM
Epsom Public Library

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

I. Overview of OMRC Table at Election on 3/14/18

- 1) Deb and Chuck got 128 names and email addresses from people interested in the Old Meeting House revitalization.
- 2) The general feedback was some (16) said “burn it,” but had just as many that didn’t want to talk about it. Many people didn’t want tax dollars used for the meeting house, and 10-20 were more positive. Some said make it a moneymaking proposition, and one said make it into a marijuana dispensary. Deb said that there are more people in the middle now (not against it and not totally for it) that they have heard what OMHRC is doing.

II. Minutes from February 8 , 2018

Discussed the need to change February 17 to January 17 and resend to committee. Val will make change and send out to the committee.

III. Review of Minutes from February 28, 2018

The minutes from February 28, 2018 were reviewed and motion was made by Chuck Driesbach to accept, seconded by Deb Sargent. They were approved and will sent to be sent to Kelly Dearborn-Luce to be formally posted.

IV. Ist quarterly OMHRC Report Due March 30, 2018

OMHRC report due March 30, 2018. Val will write draft and include Andrew Cushing’s report on historic town structures in NH. Copies will be made available at the Library and Town office, as well as links.

V. UNH Cooperative Extension

We will be taking the information and tips shared by Jared Reynolds, UNH Cooperative Extension, but do not need a community profile or other offerings at this point. We would like help with listening sessions, however. We can ask him about this.

VI. OMHRC Public Participation Protocol

We discussed the fact that we need a public participation protocol so that we can manage our time appropriately and provide for public input. Val will write-up.

VII. Review of Email Survey Questions

We reviewed the email survey questions again and made additional revisions. Our committee will need to send the revised survey to the BOS prior to sending out.

Val reviewed the email lists we have, and clarified which lists we will combine with the purchased list. Also, we will add email addresses collected at election day. At our next meeting we will remove as much “deadwood” from the lists as well as duplicates.

VIII. Header for Survey

Need to discuss the header for our Survey Monkey survey.

IX. Newspaper Article

Chuck revised the newspaper article and there will be a separate article when we are ready to send out the survey.

Schedule of Next Meetings

March 28 @ 6 PM at the Library

April 11 @ 6 PM

April 25 @ 6 PM

A motion was made to end the meeting by Chuck and seconded by Deb. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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