

Old Meetinghouse Revitalization (OMRC) Meeting Minutes
Thursday April 22, 2021
5 PM
Epsom Town Hall
Final

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

Community Present: Dick Frambach, George Carlson

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.

Meeting Commenced at 5:00 p.m.

I. Approve 04/01/2021 minutes

Virginia made a motion to approve minutes as amended. Chuck seconded. Approved 3-0

II. Septic & Bathrooms (All)

George Carlson spoke about his previous experience with the Old Meetinghouse. Chuck met with George to look at the OM and the proposed septic. George has an extensive background with septic installation. George is looking into a couple things, one being if we can get a holding tank installed now and then have the system be put in within a year. Virginia asked if there was a septic being used by both the OM and the Old Town Hall would this be possible. George said he would take a look at that possibility but would need to see the existing plans for the septic. Andrea provided him with the current design and approval document issued by the state. Further discussing included where the water comes in and that if it serviced both buildings the need for a pumping system.

Meadow asked about starting the process of putting together an estimate for the work on the bathrooms so it could go out to bid. Chuck is going to start working on this.

III. GoFundMe Updates (Meadow)

Meadow indicated that the GoFundMe campaign has slowed down and there have been minimal donations over the last month. She has even posted a personal matching campaign but only time will tell what comes in from that. Updates have been posted and she will continue to post updates and new information is available. She is also in the process of re-inviting the email list group that had not responded but it has to be done on an individual basis and will take some time.

IV. Donation Level Discussion (all)

Virginia provided a list of items which could be included for recognition of certain donation levels. There were a couple of additional recommendations and changes and Virginia will get a final list out to the group.

V. Paint Night (Kristy)

Paint night is a go and she is thinking a Friday night would be the best night. We should have no more than 30 people and charge \$30 a head. Virginia will check with Pat at ECS about possible dates. It will be promoted on Facebook, Town site and the alert system through the town. Also Pat has offered to send it out via the ECS Alert Now system.

VI. Other Fundraising Options (Kristy)

Kristy indicated that Hancock Glass has closed and she is looking at other possible options that will be reasonable. Will discuss other options and ideas at future meetings. Still planning on doing the calendar raffle around Old Home Weekend.

VII. Old Home Weekend (Meadow)

Meadow indicated we will be having a table at Old Home Weekend which will include both information and items to sell for fundraising. Will discuss options and coverage as we get closer to the date.

VIII. Tours setup and schedule (Virginia)

Virginia is set for the upcoming tours on Saturday from 10-2 and 2-4 as well as Sunday from 2-4. Everyone is welcome to participate if they are available. She has posted invite information on Facebook.

Other

No other business

Virginia made a motion to adjourn. Chuck seconded. Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Next Scheduled OMRC meeting is on May 13, 2021 at 5pm at the Old Meetinghouse.

Respectfully submitted by Meadow Wysocki, Chair