

**Community School Purchase Committee
Unapproved Minutes
Tuesday, June 23, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.**

The Community School Purchase Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Fred Harkins at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present: F. Harkins, C. Mariotti, R. Mortensen, B. Hiscox, J. Altson and M. DeLage

Members Absent: S. Sabo, J. Geary and B. Sereduck

Approval of June 9th Minutes: Motion made by R. Mortensen, seconded by J. Altson to approve the minutes of the June 9th, 2015 meeting. M. DeLage abstained. Motion passed.

Appraiser and Inspection Update:

F. Harkins spoke with Theresa Graveline. They should have the bids back by their July 7th meeting and then they will vote on an appraiser and inspector for the building.

Report on Committee "List of Charges":

The Committee still hasn't received the Equalization of Assets Report. The Town Attorney, the Mayor and the Region 16/Board of Education office are still trying to locate it. B. Hiscox stated that the lawyers would work out the exact break down. Also, Beacon Falls is looking to have their own appraisal done.

Once the Committee has come to a decision, the Town of Prospect will make an offer to the Region 16/Board of Ed. and they will either accept or deny the offer. The Town of Prospect will hold a Public Hearing and possibly a Town Meeting or even a Referendum if needed.

M. DeLage stated that the State Board of Ed. must have a copy of the Equalization of Assets document. B. Hiscox stated that 60% Prospect and 40% Beacon Falls would be a ballpark figure.

B. Hiscox mentioned that the town needs to think long term on how they want the area surrounding the town green to develop. However, the Committee needs to keep focused on just this building and try not to get off track.

The Committee can't move forward at this time until the appraisal and inspection is complete.

The Committee will need to take into account the cost of repairs when coming up with an offer for the purchase of the building.

M. DeLage mentioned moving the food bank from the Senior Center to this building.

Prospect Pages Survey Discussion:

The Committee discussed the survey J. Altson put together to run in the Prospect Pages. They discussed trying to get it into the July issue if it isn't too late. They wanted to add the option for people to bring in written suggestions to the Prospect Town Hall c/o the Community School Purchase Committee. B. Hiscox mentioned putting a picture of Community School at the top of the survey; that may catch

people's attention. J. Altson will contact Gwen at The Prospect Pages to see if she has time to put this survey in the July edition. B. Hiscox mentioned running the survey in the Citizens News also. J. Altson stated he will contact the Citizens News.

Public Participation: none

General Discussion:

The Committee discussed that one of the members should be here when the inspector comes in to point out certain things that they are already aware of.

R. Mortensen will make a list of what will need to be purchased or added to the building depending on what the building is utilized for in the future. (Example: Refrigerators/Freezers for kitchen.)

J. Altson asked if the town is using part of the building and the public is using another part of the building are the heating zones separate. B. Hiscox stated there are different heating zones; we would need to find out where they are. That should be taking into consideration when deciding uses and where.

The Committee discussed cancelling the next regular scheduled meeting for July 7th, 2015. The Committee will not have the information they need by that date in order to move forward.

Motion made by M. DeLage, seconded by J. Altson to cancel the July 7th, 2015 meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

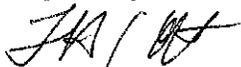
B. Hiscox mentioned keeping a running list of potential uses for the building. J. Altson and R. Mortensen will put a list together.

The Committee discussed the possibility of the entire Town Hall moving to this building and the police station moving to the current Town Hall building.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion made by J. Altson, seconded by C. Mariotti to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion passed unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,



Frederick Harkins
Chairman

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