

Chatham Building Committee Meeting
June 30,2014 6:15 pm

Present: Barbara Eastman, Maryann Eastman, William Perry, Ron Briggs. Absent : Susan Logan

Guests: Maureen Westrick, Tom Buco

Discussion Town Hall was built in 1833 for \$399, dimensions are 30X 36, with 12 feet to the plate.the land it sits upon was purchased for \$5.

We need to so a site selection. Maureen and Bill are going to walk the two parts of the Parsonage site on Tuesday July 1, 2014, to get a better idea of what would be needed to be done. After which, Maureen will get site specs for the size of building, and whether or not we need sprinklers. (Town population as of 2010 census report is 337, with currently 232 or so registered voters.) Do we need one story or Two? Maureen will also do a generic footprint and entrance/exit, etc. site plan. Ron will do topo on same. We need to consider placing the building in such a way that we can add on to it when needed in the future.

Ron Briggs will submit a budget proposal to the Selectman's Committee, for the design and building of a Town Municipal Building.

On July 24th there will be a public meeting to discuss the building proposal, sites, and funding of such. Bill will ask Anne Getchell of Rural Development to be on hand to answer funding questions. Ron and Bill will have 2 easels set up w/ white board and markers to help capture everyone's ideas and questions. Maryann will bring index cards and pens to hand out for people. We will also accept donations of \$ to the Building Fund!

Bill will handle notification of the meeting on facebook, in the Conway Daily Sun (to be on 7/11, 7/19, and 7/24), by posting a flyer at Town Hall,Library, at the Dam in South Chatham, and Town Clerk's Office. It is possible that we can do a direct mail flyer to the registered voters as well.

Keep in mind: by creating a nice picturesque building in that corner, we might be able to encourage film crews to use our town for movies. Also, the Parsonage cellar/foundation should have some kind of historical plaque attached to it (maybe in some sort of park-like setting).

The goal is to have a warrant article to the selectmen by January 6, 2015 for the Town Meeting in March 2015. Using that as a deadline, we expect to have plan set, elevations, etc to make preliminary budget for contractor's bids by end of summer, October at the latest.

Maureen mentioned a cash back program for non-profit organizations , and will bring info on such.

We can also have an information kiosk on the Building Plans at the Chatham Town Picnic in September.

Next meeting July 28th at Book Warehouse 6-ish.

Respectfully submitted by Maryann Eastman. Please notify me of errors or corrections, thank you.