

Building Committee Notes
July 29, 2013 6:45 pm
Chatham Town House

In Attendance: Bill Perry, Susan Logan, Barbara Eastman, Maryann Eastman, Ron Briggs, Gary Banhart, Wayne Infinger

Purpose: to establish and assess needs of Town buildings, specifically the Library/Historical Museum and The Town House (Town Hall), and to provide plans for preservation, repair and future needs of same.

Mission Statement: To preserve/protect and build our town buildings as per the wishes of the townspeople.

Items Discussed:

- evaluation of buildings, what needs to be repaired, how soon repairs need to be done (prioritize)
- our duty as a town to preserve the existing buildings for the future (more than 50 to 100 years)
- Consider the existing buildings
- assess our needs for using the buildings
- where does the money come from? For repairs and preservation, as well as possible new buildings
- Priority for repair 1. Town house 2. Library/Historical building
- Town hall needs-septic, water, roof, sills.....the well at Parsonage may be possible to pipe under road to Town House
- cemetery side lot, we have 50 acres that could be utilized for new buildings, flat,easy to build on.
- consider a building that can be used as a shelter(needs generator, shower, and kitchen)
- town's vital records need to be stored in a safe place, fireproof vault.
- consider NOT hiring an architect to design buildings, but rather use a building engineer if we decide to build new.
- possibly invite the Church to be part of the Historical Corner as well.
- Maggie Steir from southern NH can assess the buildings from a historical preservation perspective, and share her viewpoint and possible conflicts. It may be possible to place the two buildings on the Historical Register, she can help to assess this procedure for

us.

- what are building codes for a new town hall ?

For next meeting:

Bill Perry will look into bonding costs, bring property plans, and connect with Maggie Steir to make an appointment for assessing the buildings, and meeting with the committee to share her findings.

Ron Briggs will bring plot plans that he may have for the buildings/sites, and check with Bill Briggs on the requirements for a local shelter (shower, bathrooms,cots, bedding,etc.)

All others will bring ideas for the buildings...from the practical to the big dream, so that we may gain some consensus.

Meetings will be held on the Last Monday of each month, at 7 pm at Town Hall, and will last approximately 1 hour.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm

respectfully submitted by Maryann Eastman

(any omissions or corrections will be added at next meeting to be held on August 26,2013 at 7 pm.)