

Chatham Building Committee Meeting Notes
November 23, 2015 7 pm
Patricia Pitman's office

Present: Ron Briggs (Chair), Bill Perry (Selectman), Barbara Eastman (Historian), Jason Eastman (Selectman), Maryann Eastman (Scribe).

Guest: Bill Briggs (Town Road Agent)

Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm

Reviewed and accepted October 26 meeting notes as read.

S. Bergeron had some questions, Ron Briggs will contact him with answers. Final plans will be available to the Selectmen by Tuesday December 1, 2015 .

Ron Briggs showed a sketch of "proposed improvements" to the parsonage lot for questions to be asked and suggestions offered. Main Question : Is there enough information on the plan for a contractor to be able to quote us a cost? Also, Ron will complete a septic plan and get that out to contractors a swell for price quotes. (Note: Ron Briggs has not received any monies from the town for the work he has done on these projects. He has been working pro bono.). We also discussed the electrical plan, Bergeron will put that together. Need a line for a (future) generator underground, and a propane tank as well.

Heat Source: Must be efficient and able to bring the building temp up or down quickly (on demand). Bergeron will advise us on this.

Exterior lighting: Need floodlights over both entry doors and another one in the parking lot on a pole, on timers so that you have 10 minutes after leaving the building to vacate the parking lot.

Gene Chandler, our former State Representative, is willing to assist us in any way that he can. He has been invited to a meeting.

Public Meeting: Suggestion made to tape the floor in the Town hall to show people what size the meeting room would be...so they have an idea of how it might look. Ron will check into doing this. We will also have easels with both proposals on them for people to view. The plan is to have one more Town-wide mailing with all pertinent information listed in it. The public hearing/notice must be posted 15 days before the meeting, in the usual places: library, Town Hall bulletin Board and at the Dam in South Chatham.

The Selectman have not made any changes or improvements to the Town Hall, waiting to see what the Town votes to do. When the Life Safety requirements are met for the existing Town Hall, then it can be used for meetings again (historical society lectures, etc.) but it cannot be used for anything that requires water or bathrooms. The Selectmen will develop a list of uses and an agreement that

prospective users will need to sign before being able to use the building. All of that must wait until it is clear exactly what will be chosen to do at Town Meeting in March 2016

Next meeting is December 28th at 7 pm at Patricia Pitman's meeting adjourned at 8:26 pm.

If there are omissions or errors please notify me, thank you.

Respectfully submitted by

Maryann Eastman, Scribe.