

Town of Groton
Minutes of Building Committee Meeting
July 14, 2015

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Present: Mary Grant, Terry Dana, Mary Berlejung, Erich Crum

Select Board: Peter Lyon

Mary called the meeting to order at 7:05. Minutes of May 28 were approved.

Next Priority for Building Committee – A design plan for the addition, which will include a certified kitchen, is our next priority. Peter has been in touch with the Town of Plainfield, who have been working on an addition to their town hall. He suggested that we set up a meeting with them to learn from their experience.

Funding of work on trusses and ceiling of Community Building to be done by Groton Timberworks - Peter reported that we have about \$30,000 in Reserve Funds. We will sell Union Bank stock to cover remainder of cost . Counsel will help guide us on exactly how this will be done. Other money will come from reallocating \$600 not needed for computer equipment, and an additional \$300 will be allocated at the end of the budget year.

Status of Memory Wall - Peter reported that we will not ask volunteers to do any additional work. The boundary line dispute continues. Cilley and Warnick both claim the same land, but neither has completed a survey. One possibility considered is for the town to do a new survey, which could be the survey of record. Counsel will advise on best way to handle disputed boundary.

New Addition to Community Building Town will start preparing a draft Request for Proposal for design of new addition. New design should be ready for presentation on Town Meeting day in March. The request will be sent out as soon as the property line is settled.

New Septic System - Terry stated that this is still a high priority. Gilman Housing had at one time prepared a plan for a new system as part of the multi-million dollar renovation of several properties in town, and they offered to donate land for it in front of the Pancake House. We will need an easement now on the other side of 302 to install the system.

Other Town Construction Projects

New Sidewalks - Peter reported that the Select Board is applying for a grant to do sidewalk reconstruction from the west side of Community Building to a point

opposite the Methodist church. Plan is to put a crosswalk across Route 302 to the church. This is subject to approval by the Agency on Transportation because of safety concerns.

Siding on Salt Shed - New siding on the salt shed at the Town Highway buildings is planned. Erich Crumm made a motion to use corrugated metal siding, which would be durable and cost-effective. Terry seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

New Insulation and Refurbishing of Treasurer's Office – will be done in a month or two.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Berlejung