Middletown Springs Building Committee Regular Meeting Middletown Springs Public Library

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

**APPROVED MINUTES** 

Committee present: Michael Beattie (arrived 7:52) Fred Bradley, Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson (clerk), Lois Dansereau, Kristal Hier, Tom Hurcomb, Patty Kenyon (chair), Maureen McCormack (by FaceTime 8:10), Patty

McWilliams, David Munyak, David Wright

Committee absent: Robin Chesnut-Tangerman,

Public present: none

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by P Kenyon at 7:04 pm.

2. Approval of Minutes: F Bradley moved to approve the minutes of Jan. 19, 2017 as presented. T Hurcomb

seconded. Motion carried.

3. Public Comments: F Bradley reconfirmed his & Marilyn Trapeni's commitment to donate \$1,000 towards

the materials expense of the well drilling. The Committee expressed their gratitude.

4. Building & Site Design

A) Report from Modeler/Commission Visit: D Munyak, P Kenyon, M Beattie went to interview one of

the prospective engineers. They were impressed. They learned that he was also capable of doing the MEP

design study and asked him to submit a bid for that portion as well. It is more efficient and potentially more

cost-effective if the Energy Modeler and the MEP engineer are the same person and/or from the same firm.

M Beattie was able to speak with another prospective engineer at the conference he attended today and

asked him to submit additional information for his bid. The updated proposals are due to come in shortly. We

have narrowed the choices down and, with this additional information, hope to make our decisions about

whom to recommend to the Selectboard at our next meeting.

At the conference, M Beattie was also able to get more names of independent estimators to approach for bids

on estimating the project.

B) Structural Engineer Discussion/Recommendation: Committee discussed. Additional information

will be sought by M Beattie through follow up conversations in order to assist the Committee in being able to

compare the proposals. D Munyak will help develop what questions need to be asked.

5. Subcommittee Reports

A) Funding subcommittee

Food Sale: P Kenyon has begun promo. MSHS has given ok for use of dining room kitchen. P Kenyon

will send out sign-up sheets to Committee members. P McWilliams will make poster.

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Rep. Peter Welch & Rutland Regional Planning Commission: T Hurcomb updated the committee on last week's events. Ed Bove at the RRPC reached out looking for infrastructure projects which could be completed within 18-36 months. Rep. Welch was holding a roundtable to hear about such projects so that he could take them to Washington as part of the bi-partisan effort to craft a large Infrastructure Bill. We were invited to submit our town office / library project. T Hurcomb thanked members of BC for their quick response. They will be looking projects with big impact in communities. Our project has the added value of revitalizing a town center over other projects which might be equally as important but more mundane like repaving a stretch of highway or rebuilding a bridge. T Hurcomb reminded the Committee that this is a very speculative opportunity but for now we are in the pile and he will keep us posted. He had follow up conversation today with the state director in Welch's office, George Twigg.

**B) Public Relations:** An update about the well drilling went into the Town Newsletter and the Town Report with photo provided by Emmett Francois. The Committee expressed their gratitude for E Francois' sharing of his photographic skills.

## 6. Project Scheduling

- A) Well Update: Water samples went off to be tested this week. D Munyak worked with Frank Parent when he came to take the samples early on January 30. The samples are being analyzed by a private lab, and not by the state as stated in recent Selectboard minutes. Test results should be back in a week.

  Parker Water Wells submitted an invoice for \$1,658 for the materials they used. D Munyak will follow-up to get an invoice which included their donated labor and use of their equipment so that we can have a record of true cost, as well as the ability to recognize them for the size of their donation. The donation from Fred Bradley and Marilyn Trapeni will cover nearly 2/3 of the materials. The Committee reiterated their appreciation of both the Parkers and the Bradley/Trapeni families for their support of the Town and this project.
- 7. Other Business: none.
- **8. Next meeting scheduled:** Thursday, February 16, 2017, at 7 pm, at the Library. Selecting engineering firm(s) to recommend to the Selectboard will be on the agenda.
- 9. Adjournment: F Bradley moved to adjourn at 8:22 pm. T Hurcomb seconded. The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kimberly Bushnell Mathewson, clerk