Deep River Town Hall Auditorium Restoration Committee

Special meeting held on January 19, 2012

In attendance were Art Thompson, Fran Strukus, Kim Olson, Dennis Schultz, Carole Jones, Bruce Edgerton, Janice Kmetz and Ken Wood. Also in attendance Linalynn Schmelzer

Meeting called to order at 2:05 p.m.

Meeting tentatively set with Fire Marshal and Building Inspector for Wednesday 1/25/12 to discuss in more detail items needed to bring Auditorium up to codes. Discussion to include stage curtains, elevator space, fire retardant applications on curtains and walls among other items.

Balcony stairs need two exits to use as well as making risers up to code.

Sand and refinish floor to be last thing done.

Stadium seating, removable seating talked about, to look into, also need to look into storage for seating if removed.

To speak with Dick Smith and other selectmen to see what the community would like to use auditorium for. Maximum capacity is 300 persons with out seats. 130 person capacities with seating and that including stage. Will at some point need to be posted for use of auditorium.

\$30 per day for Auditorium use. \$150 deposit which is refundable if cleaned and no damage. Possible cleaning fee mentioned.

Talk of cleaning (removing) all padded chairs that are damaged.

To speak with Building inspector on whether we can replace chandelier.

Stage doors- need to be replaced. Question as to whether it should be a fire retardant door. All doors need to be replaced with fire doors

Cost of lighting and sound- lights more complex then sound. Need to replace bulbs, need to purchase new. Kim Olson to bring Valley High school students to check out sound and lighting systems.

Talk of training people to use lights and sound systems.

Storage- Security of equipment- Under stairs storage should have a light installed. Talk of extending storage space with lighting and shelving.

Grand stairway- railing all to low- windows on stairs need to be addressed for safety. Talk of railings or safety glass.

Stage area should be cleaned up.

Tin ceiling on grand stairway needs to be replaced. Better lighting is also needed.

Patch and paint corners by elevator and front of stage.

All things center on recommendations of Fire Marshall and Building Inspector.

Look for way to honor all those people who have had a part in of the restoration from the beginning. Which should includes donators, those who participated in Wednesday night work group. Board of directors of the restoration, including those that had a part in the building of the town hall and auditorium. List of lifetime members and those who purchased chair plaques. Janice to look through file cabinets for list of names.

No reply has been received from UBS as of yet.

Question asked about whether to put our committee in the Town newsletter.

Dennis – contractors need to bid for restoration. Question of whether Dick Smith needs to be involved with the bidding process and what is the process for getting bids.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35

Next special meeting to be held Thursday 1/26/12 at 2 p. m. at the Town Hall