

Rogers and Oxford Study Committee Meeting

Thursday, October 3, 2013

Present: Albert Benac, Lisa Elliott, Nils Isaksen, Jeffrey Lucas, John Medeiros, Beverly Rasmussen, Gayla Reilly, Karen Vilandry, Barbara Acksen, Paul Kitchen

Ex-officio: Selectman Bob Espindola

Guests: Gary Lavalette

Absent: Tom Alden, Gail Isaksen, Jimmie Oliver, Rona Trachtenberg, Steven Desroches, Pamela Kuechler, Daniel Freitas

Minutes from the September 12, 2013 were approved.

Karen Vilandry and Bev Rasmussen presented a mission statement draft. Following a discussion, Karen agreed to make a few edits and email the revised statement to the committee.

Gayla Reilly did extensive inquiry into the Community Preservation Committee fund (CPC) and explained the process. Funds will be requested by this committee for a feasibility study on the Rogers and Oxford buildings. The results of the study are public and will help this committee make recommendations to the Selectboard for re-use of these buildings and may help the town 'market' the buildings to a future occupancy or use. Gayla Reilly, Jeff Lucas and Paul Kitchen will work as a sub-committee to solicit several architects to do a site visit, survey the two buildings and estimate the cost of a feasibility study. Paul Kitchen will email the date and time of the site visit to the R / O Committee in case any members want to attend. A more accurate amount to request of the CPC will be presented to the R / O Committee at its next meeting on November 7 and the application will be submitted by the deadline on November 8.

Paul Kitchen will obtain copies of the Rogers and Oxford deeds from the Millicent Library and will forward them to the R / O Committee. Bob Espindola will email them to the Town Counsel, who will advise us on any restriction regarding sale and proceeds or lease of the buildings.

Gayla Reilly will not be attending the Mass Historic Preservation conference on Oct 18.

The next meeting will be at 6:30 pm on November 7 in the Banquet Room. Included in the agenda for Nov 7 will be a discussion of R / O Study Committee membership.

Lisa Elliott, sec'y