



June 2, 2015
Minutes of Community Preservation Committee

7:00pm

Dorothy Whitaker came to informally discuss the potential of an application from the Keep Homestead. They have several bigger problems and do not have the funds to correct them.

Structural damage and water damage both inside and out are their major concerns. BJ, the town inspector is giving advice to the Keep Homestead board. Dorothy would like some guidance as to how to go about completing the application.

Leslie told her to complete the application, email it to the committee at the gmail address. It is best if she can get 3 bids for the work, if that is not possible please let us know that. The Monson CPC will not choose the contractor, that selection would be up to the Keep BOD. The application is due by the end of August.

Kathleen and Steve O'Neill came to the meeting to discuss the future of 90 Main Street. Karen told them that we had been talking about the possibility of using it for low- to moderate-income housing.

Steve is interested in the house, but rehabbing the property has had its challenges. He would like to do whatever he can to keep it from being demolished.

- Restoration or even reconstruction has been very expensive.
- The O'Neil's have lost their building permit.
- What is the highest and best use of the property?
- Previously was used as office/residence.
- Previously was a 2 family unit.
- Steve photographed and saved all the historic trim.
- Not interested in being a landlord.
- Interested in the historic values but not opposed to more economic upgrades.

The O'Neil's would be interested in anything we might want to propose. Leslie is willing to attend the next Housing Commission meeting to determine if we can arrange a housing opportunity with this building. She will report to the CPC at the next meeting.

Signed bill schedule for Skorupski and Thompson.

Amended to include Members in Attendance: Leslie Duthie, Tamara Cabey, Karen King,
Michael Arbour and Robert Presho