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Zechariah Boodey House Committee mtg.

June 28, 2012

Present: Crissa, Sherry, Cathy O., and guest, Deputy Fire Chief KG Lockwood.

The meeting started at 7pm at Town Hall. The May minutes were passed out. Crissa moved to accept the minutes as written, Cathy seconded the move and the minutes were unanimously approved.

Deputy Chief Lockwood was at our meeting to give us an idea what the fire department would be looking for as we go forward in planning for the reconstruction of the Boodey House. He noted that a historic structure falls under different laws than a modern day building. Occupancy should not be a problem; we foresee no more than 30 people in the building at a time. The trigger point is 99 people inside where different rules would apply. A minimal fire detection is pretty inexpensive while putting the building together. An alarm going off can be heard by neighbors. The Deputy Chief said that they would want a Knox Box for the Boodey House, which would provide access to the house for fire and police.

Lockwood mentioned that the chimney would need to be lined when it is reconstructed, and the hearth must be fire proof. The fire department does have a list of good masons we can look at if needed.

The location of fire extinguishers will need to be figured out. Lockwood suggested that perhaps pressurized water could be used instead of chemical extinguishers. Crissa mentioned our access to a water supply; the fire department can transport water from cemetery if needed. Lockwood will be looking in on our progress.

Sherry said she would donate several ash trees towards floor planks in the Boodey House.

Cathy made copies of CD's, prints and drawings of the Boodey House and a copy has been given to the Board of Selectmen for their June 18th, 2012 meeting. Cathy has a set also. At the BOS meeting on June 18th, the agreement with the Ferguson Family Trust was reviewed; the BOS is willing to work with the Ferguson family. The BOS seemed in support in our continued efforts to preserve this historic building. The big BUT was concerns with being encumbered by the agreement. There was also a question on the 5-year condition/renewal clause in the agreement; they did not understand why it was there. The focus was on the reconstruction site at the corner of Berry Road and Stockbridge Corner Road. There were some concerns with the Secretary of Interior Standards. The BOS will be meeting with the Ferguson Family Trust to discuss specific terms of the agreement.

The balance in the bank at this time is \$1384.47. We earned \$363.10 at the May 20th Bingo. So far for 2012 we have raised \$ 1171.80.

A lot of discussion was on where do we go from here? Who can help us? We do have some info from Arron Sturgis from Preservation Timberframing and Arthur Capello, our building inspector. We now need engineering plans.

Cathy will contact Arron Sturgis to get information on the dimensions for the foundation for the Boodey House. We need the weight of the building to design the foundation. Our next meeting we will meet with Alison Webb, the town manager, for advertising for meetings with engineers to draw plans. Cathy can also meet with Arthur Capello again; he can help calculate what we need, then we can go out to bid knowing the materials we will need. This will also show the Selectmen we are moving along.

Crissa will design a new brochure, which she will have at New Durham's 250th celebration, July 29th. She had a picture enlarged from a 100th anniversary in 1892. There will also be a sign in book, a donation basket, family artifacts, including a prayer book from Joseph Boodey, a mortar and pestle from Dr. Boodey and several pictures.

On August 12, 'Music on the Ridge' will feature a Harp Concert featuring the NE Irish Harp Orchestra and George Pulkinnen, bagpiper. The performers are committed. Crissa wrote Pastor Nason; the church holds 100 people. The charge will be \$10 and children under 12 will be free. It will be from 2-4pm. with lemonade and cookies being served. A parking permit from the police will be needed. Sherry will try to find out who owns the field below Julianne Cardinals; possible parking at Dave Stuart's. Sharon Malone can do the advertising; Crissa will get me the ad materials.

Crissa got Glen Knoblock to write an article on the concert and a history of the church as well as the preservation efforts of the Boodey House. Crissa also passed around the sign design for the new sign designating the site for the recon structuring of the Boodey House.

The meeting ended at 9:10 pm. The next meeting will be on August 30 at 7pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Cheryl E Cullimore, Sec'y