

TOWN OF STOW
Community Preservation Committee

Minutes, February 24, 2014

Community Preservation Committee Meeting

Community Preservation Committee members present: Kathy Sferra (chair), Bill Byron (vice-chair), Dot Spaulding, Vin Antil, Mike Busch, Cortni Frecha, Louise Nejad, and Rich Eckel.

Bob Larkin arrived after the minutes were approved.

Admin. Assistant: Deb Seith

The meeting began with a quorum at 7:32pm.

BILLS & MINUTES:

VOTE: Dot made a motion to approve the minutes of January 27, 2014 as amended, Cortni seconded, and 7 members voted to approve, Louise abstained because she was not present at the meeting.

- *Bob Larkin arrived.*

PROJECT REQUEST RANDALL LIBRARY

Melissa Fournier, Library Director

Melissa read from a prepared statement (see attached). She discussed several projects including:

- pulling up the rugs and refinishing or waxing the original floors underneath
- repoint and restore the brick work around the fireplace
- restore the marble on the memorials
- replace the lighting fixtures with historically appropriate and energy efficient fixtures
- clean up the woodwork
- paint the walls and ceiling salmon and cream
- demo the upstairs kitchenette, free standing storage area, and one upstairs bathroom

Melissa met with the Historical Commission (HC) on February 20th. The HC had some concerns about elements that might be considered maintenance and not historical. The HC wanted to have the numbers firmed up before taking a vote.

After a discussion the CPC and Melissa agreed that it might make sense to break the project into smaller phases. The CPC suggested focusing on the lights, floors, paint, and hiring a historic preservationist as possible parts of a first proposal for Annual Town Meeting. Members of the CPC are also interested in touring the library. Deb, Dot, and Melissa will coordinate a date/time for the tour.

The CPC set March 10th as the next regular CPC meeting at which the committee will review projects and warrant articles for the Annual Town Meeting.

Bob made a motion to adjourn at 8:59pm, Rich seconded, and approval was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted by:
Deb Seith