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Town ClerkUXBRIDGE HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
May 17, 2016

Members present: Francis Cove, Roy Henry, Bill Albin, Mary Dolan, Linda Bradley, Faye McCloskey and Peter Emerick. All members were present.

Meeting called to order at 3:00pm by Francis Cove, Chair

Minutes from April 19, 2016 were read. No discussion. Motion was made to accept, seconded and passed.

Uxbridge Town Manager, David Genereux attended the meeting at the Commission's invitation.

Old Business:

1. Discussion continued on the ongoing building problems with the Farnum House. Francis Cove reported he contacted Architectural Preservation Group of Warwick, RI for inspection and review of the buildings interior and exterior. Estimates were received as follows: \$7,750 for structural repairs, \$5,150 for foundation repairs, \$8,500 for clapboard restoration, \$23,000 for exterior painting, \$17,900 for window restoration and \$6,300 for invisible storm windows.

Town Manager David Genereux questioned the cost of painting as possibly being high and also whether the Commission should undertake the project correctly as a historical renovation or from a get it done perspective. Suggested we approach the project with the goal to restore the building to what it was meant to be and doing it right.

Town Manager also informed the Commission it must be put out to bid but we need to be assured the contractor has the experience for such a project.

Francis Cove suggested we do the structural and foundation work immediately and we seek a second estimate for these repairs. Brief discussion ensued as to possibly completing the project in stages and to further research the clapboards and paint to be used.

Member Peter Emerick suggested getting a 2<sup>nd</sup> estimate from another preservation contractor to maintain the integrity of the building. Peter spoke to the knowledge of the contractor. Francis Cove asked for additional recommendations of contractors.

Motion was made by Linda Bradley to obtain another estimate on entire project then concentrate on structural and foundation repairs. Motion seconded by Faye McCloskey. All in favor. Motion passed.

2. Francis Cove updated the Commission on the denial of the request from the Uxbridge Farmers Market to use the grounds. It was felt as the property was just re-seeded, the grounds needed time to establish.

New Business:

1. Mail was opened and read. A letter from the State Historic Preservation Officer was received in regards to the request from New England Power Company, 48 Depot St project. No action was taken.

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 4:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bradley  
Secretary