

Town Center Committee
April 14, 2012 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 pm. Committee members present were Victor Artioli, Judy Artioli, Howard Knickerbocker, Judy Hoag, Dale Hoag, Mitch Feldmesser, Jay Swift and Maureen Sullivan.

The minutes of the April 2nd meeting were read and accepted as written.

Mr. Knickerbocker reported on his conversation with Building Commissioner Gerry Garner re building condemnation procedures. His report detailed that either the Board of Health or the Building Commissioner can condemn a building. According to Commissioner Garner building safety concerns is the reason for condemning a structure. A building not owned by the Town would require the convening of a Board of Survey made up of building professionals unaffiliated with the Town. Condemning a building through a Board of Survey costs about \$3,200. Condemnation by the Board of Health is a longer process.

Mr. Swift reported that he spoke with two individuals on Elizabeth Rarigh's list of structural engineers. One of the individuals will be writing a proposal about coming to the site to do a walk-through of the building.

Mr. Hoag reported on a walk-through of the building by a staff engineer from Hill engineering. An informal summary report of the two buildings will be done at no charge to the Town.

The committee reviewed the report from TRC that was prepared at the request of the PVPC. The cost estimate reflected reporting requirements of the PVPC that would not need to be done if the Town were to hire an LSP on its own.

The committee discussed various avenues to explore including pursuing a grant to finance an LSP, possible 'a la carte' projects to be undertaken by an LSP, continuation of the structural evaluation of the building and developing a chart of various possible use/reuse strategies.

Mr. Swift and Ms. Sullivan volunteered to start a planning model for possible uses of the sites.

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday May 8th at 7:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Sullivan, Secretary

Attachment: TRC Scope of Work document