

Town Center Committee Meeting Draft
August 18, 2016 Minutes

Committee members present were Jay Swift, Judy Hoag, Dale Hoag, David DiNicola, Mitch Feldmesser and Maureen Sullivan. The meeting came to order at 7:08.

Mr. DiNicola questioned the cost estimates for demolition of the former general store building. Did the estimate include the cost of removal of hazardous building waste, and would one building or two buildings be taken down? Mr. DiNicola said that he would obtain cost estimates for having someone visit the site for the purpose of getting accurate estimates of hazardous building waste removal.

Mr. DiNicola presented a copy of the DEP's Scope of Work and Cost Estimates of final phase cleanup. The Committee was under the impression that these requirements would be waived, but the committee would like to see a written document from the DEP that commits to the waiver. The Committee agreed that it wanted to be updated on the status of the Lenox Bank lien on the properties.

Ms. Hoag reported that Cathy Roth was favorable to having an event, in connection with Middlefield Days, to commemorate the general store. She will speak with Michael Feldberg and John Savery and ask them to give a talk on the history of the General Store Building at the event.

Mr. Swift will contact the Town Manager to request that Eversource be asked to disconnect the electric meter at the General store building and to find out what, if any, outstanding charges are owed.

The Committee formulated a basic plan for moving forward. The first goal is for the demolition to be completed with the second goal, seeding the area with grass and providing seating by next summer.

It was decided that Mr. Swift would write up a chronology of the committee's accomplishments and make the presentation at the General Store commemoration event.

The next meeting will be scheduled at the convenience of the committee members.

The meeting adjourned at 8:22.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maureen Sullivan