



PLUMTREES SCHOOLHOUSE & LANDMARK PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

Monday, 20-July-09
7:00pm
CJH Municipal Center – Meeting Room “A”

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PRESENT: Leroy Staib, Trisha Lewis, Charles Hurd, Edwin Rockwell, and David Morgan

ABSENT: Charles Steck

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chairman, Leroy Staib called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm and led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Hurd made a motion which was seconded by D. Morgan to add Public Comments to the agenda. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Brendan Lennox, Eagle Scout Candidate, presented the committee with the final items to be placed on the sign which he built for the school. He asked the committee to give him final approval so that he could go to the printer. C. Hurd commented that the sign was very well done.

C. Hurd made a motion which was seconded by E. Rockwell to approve the final documents for the sign as presented. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: There were no correspondents. Attorney Hagan delivered to Chairman Staib the items which were requested at the previous meeting. These were distributed to the members of the Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Morgan made a motion, which was seconded by T. Lewis to accept the minutes of the 15-June-09 meeting. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

T. Lewis made a motion, which was seconded by D. Morgan to accept the minutes of the 09-July-09 meeting. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The account balance as of 20-July-09 was \$-292.58. There were no additions or subtractions.

C. Hurd made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by E. Rockwell. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1) FINISH BY-LAWS FOR THE COPORATION “PLUMTREES SCHOOL ASSOCIATION.”
Chairman Staib asked everyone to take the time to review the documents which were the

table the By-laws until all members have had an opportunity to review the suggestions from Attorney Hagan.

- 2) FINISH CHARTER OF THE PLUMTREES SCHOOL ASSOCIATION: Chairman Staib read the language which was suggested by L. Staib and E. Rockwell at a previous meeting. T. Lewis made a motion to accept the charter as presented. The motion was seconded by D. Morgan. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved. The language is as follows:

The Plumtrees School Association exists

to promote the preservation and protection of the Plumtrees School and its contents.

to open the Plumtrees School for the children of Bethel and surrounding towns.

to raise awareness of the residents of Bethel of the importance of this historic structure and the impact of the one-room school to its citizens.

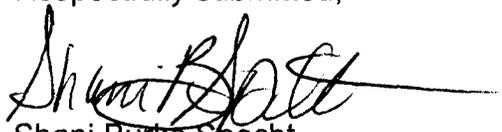
Whereas the Town of Bethel owns the Plumtrees School building and the property and is responsible for its upkeep, the Plumtrees School Association shall notify the Town of Bethel when work is needed to keep the building and property in good condition.

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Prepare the Presentation to the Board of Selectman to grant a Historic Easement to the Plumtrees School Association, Inc.
 - T. Lewis made a motion which was seconded by D. Morgan to table the consideration of the Historic Easement until all committee members have had an opportunity to review the documents prepared by Attorney Hagan.
- 2) Work Party for Open house: Chairman Staib reminded the committee that purpose of the Open House was to show the community the work that has been completed on the school. The members of the committee will meet on 23-July-09 and 13-Aug-09 to clean and prepare the School for the Open House on 16-Aug-09. C. Hurd requested that personal invitations be sent to all the individuals who have made donations of cash and/or property to the School.

As there was no further business on the agenda, E. Rockwell made a motion, which was seconded by D. Morgan, to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. Vote, all in favor, motion unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,



Shani Burke Specht,
Recording Secretary