



Town of Coventry
LIBRARY EXPANSION BUILDING COMMITTEE

--- Minutes of Special Meeting ---
Tuesday, November 8, 2016
7:30 PM
Booth & Dimock Memorial Library Community Room

1.) Call to Order

Committee Chairman Tim Timberman called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Committee members in attendance were—

- Tim Timberman, Committee Chairman
- Sondra Astor Stave, Committee Vice Chairman (7:35 PM)
- Kathleen Ryan, Committee Secretary
- William Bonney, Committee member
- Kristi Sadowski, Library Director
- John Elsesser, Town Manager
- Angela Cahill, architect with DRA

2.) Discuss SHPO Application and possible alternates to floor and site plans

T. Timberman reported on a meeting recently held with the State Historic Preservation Office which he, Kristi Sadowski, and DRA architect Angela Cahill attended with SHPO representative Todd Levine, who expressed concern over the relationship between the original building and the proposed new structure.

A. Cahill advised that the Committee consider the SHPO process as well as our own design process. She explained that previously SPHO reviewed the State Library Construction Grant applications before their submittal. The personnel who reviewed the applications prior to submission have retired and were not replaced, so this step was not done with our application prior to its submittal to the State Library.

J. Elsesser advised that the Committee hold two meetings, one with Tom Newman and Ken Wiggins of the State Library and a second meeting with SHPO representatives. A. Cahill suggested that we cite the previous construction options considered by the Committee and why these were rejected in favor of the proposed construction design. T. Timberman also suggested that at this meeting the Committee show these previously considered design options and their constraints (site, staffing, fire code issues and considerations). A. Cahill stated in the Committee's appeal to the State Library and SHPO that there are both design precedents and process precedents that can be cited.

K. Sadowski distributed copies of e-mails with Tom Newman of the State Library's Division of Library Development and with Gregory Farmer and copies of our Project Review Submission of our building expansion plans to SPHO. In anticipation of our requested meeting, K. Sadowski will contact SHPO to determine what certifies compliance. J. Elsesser will call Ken Wiggins at the State Library.

K. Sadowski will contact SHPO to define its process as to what additionally is needed by us and to set up a meeting as soon as possible with the Committee and SHPO.

3.) Discuss marketing meeting, strategies and materials--Not discussed.

4.) Discuss Future Schedule

The Library Expansion Building Committee will next meet on Thursday night, December 15, 2016 at 7:30 PM. in the Booth and Dimock Memorial Library's Community Room.

5.) Adjournment

Kathleen Ryan moved and Tim Timberman seconded her motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 PM. C.U.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Ryan, Committee Secretary