

Town of Killingworth, Connecticut

Town Barn Committee

Meeting held on November 2, 2016 at the Killingworth Town Hall

Committee Members Present:

Tom Hogarty, Suki Williams, Alec Martin, Jim Lally, Dave Gross.

Visitors: Eric Auer

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by Chairman Martin. Jim Lally moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2016 meeting seconded by Dave Gross – motion passed.

Action Items from October 19, 2016 meeting.

1. Cindy – meet with carpenter and lead paint company for estimates – No report made, items forwarded to November 16, 2016 meeting
2. Alec – work on costs to install piers beneath the posts.
Alec reported that he has established an appointment for tomorrow with a contractor to see the barn, Alec will report his findings at the next meeting.


A discussion took place regarding the proper method to install a poured concrete floor under the barn. Jim Lally is in favor of a mono-pour where the concrete surrounds the base of the existing posts in place and uses the existing siding as a form for the perimeter of the pour. The perimeter would be about one foot deep and the floor surface would be about four inches thick. The base of the posts would be pinned into the outer perimeter (the haunch) of the floor for stabilization.

Eric Auer said that he agrees with Jim's method except that the posts would be cut at the base and would rest on the new floor.

Alec said that the posts should be supported by piers installed below the frost line. Information was received from the Building Official that this method would require an engineer. Alec said that we may be able to enlist the help of a volunteer engineer for this.

A discussion was had about getting estimates and bids on work. Also discussed was the requirement to have the barn project reviewed by the Planning and Zoning Commission. Jim said that it would be a good idea to initiate the P & Z process now and get it out of the way saying that if the project cannot gain any traction by December 15th. We should consider pulling the shades on the project. Tom Hogarty commented that this type of committee work is a process and takes a lot of time. Alex reiterated Tom Tkacz suggested at the last meeting that we conduct an exploration of the areas around the posts to see what is actually there before making a decision on the floor/foundation.

No votes were taken and no decisions were reached. Next meeting: Wednesday November 16, 2016. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Tom Hogarty, Recording Secretary