

## **MINUTES Buildings and Grounds Committee, 8/25/23**

Present: Matt Wojcik, Starr LaTronica, Karen Tyler, Joyce Sullivan, Christine de Vallet, Elizabeth Tannenbaum

- Call to Order: 9:09 a.m.
- Agenda (Changes or Additions): none
- Minutes of Meeting 5.29.2023: Matt/Joyce moved to approve
- Public Comment: none
- Old Business

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **1) Ongoing and proposed projects:**

**Outdoor Seating Project:** we are still waiting on cost from Alex for full design  
Discussion:

Matt: pathway along the side of building needs to be completed before winter because of snow and ice.

Karen: may need to re-think timing and do pathway first

Starr: ARPA funds from town; perhaps request based on safety concern since people use the 'shortcut'. We are municipal property.

Joyce: because of back up in getting construction work done, for now, need tape to show this is a dangerous access.

Starr: zigzag design with caution tape. Will talk to Public Works about tape.

Matt will also bring it up to Safety Committee where he's a member.

Karen: should we separate 2 parts for funding since it will be long process if it's all together.

Starr: getting grants takes easily a year; then need to put it out for bids and schedule.

Karen: Alex sent corrected drawing and new bid.

Matt: Railing on side needs to be added. Question of people climbing the railing??

Starr: will discuss with town

Joyce: how much land are we talking about?

Karen: need to decide if we separate it out.

Matt: will separating this delay the patio? Perhaps roof is second phase. Temporary roof (awning)??

Karen: talk to Alex about costs of different phases and possible time line and especially the part of the pathway. Will get info.

Starr: safety concern may mean we can get money for that first.

**Book Drop Shelter:** Alex is putting it on his list asap in the Fall. Built to Lindsay and staff specs. Ready to go forward

## **Staff input re: building and furnishing needs**

### Electrical Items

Starr: waiting for Dompier Electric—dimmer switch for downstairs office. Doug Cleveland is coming next week to install switch and remove back hallway conduit and perhaps add exterior outlets for building and for the 'library' sign on side of building.

Painting: want contrast for Mammoth Tusk pedestal; abuts brick wall so color choice needs to fit. John will paint.

Decision: 'Pale smoke' color voted by B and G committee.

Thanks to Anna and to Starr for clean up behind the building.

## **New business**

### **Fire alarm:**

#### Discussion:

Starr: need new one (parts not available for old one). \$57,000 bid. Everyone is over-worked so decision to replace is delayed. Town library budget may be needed. Town Finance Director is looking for money.

### **Lights:**

Non-LED lights will be replaced.

Discussion: people are very sensitive to florescent lights

**Set next meeting date:** Sept 15, 9:00

**Adjourn:** 9:50