

BROOKLINE MEETINGHOUSE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, July 22, 2021, 6:00 PM @ BMH

Members present: Lee Anne Parker, Dorothy Maggio, Dan Towler

LAP brought the meeting to order @ 6:10 PM.

Minutes of 6/24/21 meeting were reviewed and approved as written.

LAP reported on BMH Open House on Sat. July 3, at which she welcomed members of the public on a rainy holiday weekend. She/we took in \$161 in merchandise sales and donations, and spoke to David Schupp, whose family has maintained a "camp" in Brookline for many years, and who had donated generously to the window restoration done in 2016. He has offered \$3,000 towards the purchase of storm windows to protect the six 20-over-20 windows on the sides of the church, a tremendous gesture of support and greatly appreciated.

Another generous donation was sent in by Buffy Smith & Penny Kalk of Brookline, who had attended the open house.

Next open house is scheduled for Sat. August 7.

- DT will put out sandwich boards on Thursday, Aug. 5
- LAP will post notices in FPF and The Commons.

LAP stopped by Continental Screen & Glass on Rt. 30 in Newfane and the guy there offered to take a look at our 20-over-20 windows and give us an estimate for storm windows for them. We will also have him give us an estimate for combination storm windows for the double-hung windows on the wood-frame annex. He also gave LA the name of a guy, John Latronica, who does sash restoration.

- LAP will contact him.
- DM will check to see if we need multiple bids before contracting out this work.

DT has contacted Allied Window of Cincinnati to ask for their assistance with storm windows for the over-size windows on the church. No word back yet.

LAP stopped by a wood-working shop in the Estey complex in Brattleboro to ask about window restoration, but they are more interested in fabricating new windows.

LAP stopped by Cocoplum Appliance in Brattleboro & looked at a couple of gas stoves.

She is anxious to purchase one for the kitchen so we can have food prep capability.

- DT and DM will stop by there to see what they have when next in town.
- DT will work on a temporary sign to cover the "Historic Brookline Church" sign until our new one has been completed, and also one for the front of the building.
- DM will research options and pricing for National Register plaques and grant possibility from Wm. G. Pomeroy Foundation to pay for it. We hope to have final word on our application next month.

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- DT will stop at Home Depot when next in Keene and see if they have ceiling tiles that are a close enough match to the ones in our meeting room, and if they do, buy a bundle so we can replace the damaged ones.

DM made a motion to approve this purchase, LAP seconded, all in favor.

- LAP will contact Myles Danaher of Brattleboro who does wood floor refinishing and see if he is interested in working on the floor in the annex meeting room.

Staffing for the Windham County History Fair on Aug. 14 was discussed. LAP has contacted Laura Wallingford-Bacon of the HSWC and asked us to be sited next to the Athens Meetinghouse group.

- DT will ask Gary Lavorgna of Friends of MFL if we can borrow their pop-up tent.
- DT will take some of our brochures to the Windham Co. Historical Museum.

DT asked about bringing his ping pong table over to BMH so it can be used there. Members were supportive. DM offered her truck to help transport.

Next meeting scheduled for Tues. August 10 @ 6:00 PM.
Meeting was adjourned 7:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Daniel Towler