MINUTES of CBNC Meeting Wednesday, August 24, 2005, Meeting House, 7 pm

Members present: Kent Ruesswick, Ted West, Beth Blair, Jeremy Slayton, Bob Fife, Ken Jordan, Charlie Cook

## 1. Painting the interior of Historic Town Hall

Kent presented numbers from Cobb Hill for having the Town Hall painted. This is the work that Cobb Hill has agreed to do as reparation for not back priming all the trim on the library, as per our original contract. Cobb Hill will paint the interior of the historic building in colors of our choice, with primer and two coats of paint (including window sashes) for a value of \$3,345.

Cobb Hill also supplied a price for refinishing the floor of the Town Hall, but this work would be paid for by the town. Cost to strip floor, re-stain, and finish with 3 coats of polyurethane would be \$2,200. Cost would be \$2,600 with four coats of poly. Committee votes to put 4 coats of poly as the difference in cost is only \$400 and we want the floor to be protected for as long as possible.

Kent agreed to contact Cobb Hill and let them know we had decided to have them proceed with the painting as soon as possible.

### 2. Repairs to Sam Lake House

Concerning the basement flooding and dampness issue, it has been suggested by Steve Fifield to put a gravel-filled drainage trench around the interior of the basement floor with a sump pump in the corner. Also to dig an exterior drainage trench to move water away from the foundation.

There has also been a suggestion to modify the Sam Lake House by ripping off the small office that currently houses the tax collectors office, and replace it with a shed-roof addition extending down the side of the historic part of the building from the Cote addition all the way to the back wall of the Sam Lake House. This will not only provide more storage and office space, but will help to keep water away from the corner of the foundation where it collects most often. Tax collector's office will move into the Cote addition while work was being done. Discussion of a new counter and linoleum-tile floor to alleviate crowding in the current small foyer and to accommodate more people being helped by Cheryl and Patti.

Kent will draw up a simple set of floor plans for further discussion.

Money from the Sam Lake Fund would be used for the bulk of these renovations.

# 3. Building Project budget.

At this time it appears that we have money to complete our list of repairs and projects for the Municipal Complex, Town Hall, and Town Center. As soon as we settle our last outstanding invoices with Cobb Hill we will know exactly what we have left to spend.

#### 4. Houser Museum

\$1,500 was just spent to do further work in front of the Houser Museum, including creation of a swale to direct rainwater, ripping out the remaining crumbled tar driveway, and loaming/seeding the area.

### 5. Stone Wall at Municipal Complex

Ken Jordan will check to see if the donors who agreed to give \$1,000 toward the repair of the stone wall across the front of the municipal complex are still willing to donate to the project. Bob Fife estimates that we will probably need \$3,000 more, for a total of \$4,000 to complete the project. The committee agrees that funds should be raised privately.

## 6. Completion of Library Project

Still waiting for a bid to put gutters along the back of the library building. Bob Drew working with Sue Holmes to make sure electrical systems in the building are operating according to plan.

Charlie Cook has taken over the task of procuring ADA compliant signage for the new Library, Meeting House, and Municipal Complex. Beth Blair thanks Charlie profusely!

## 7. Schedule for Town Hall or Meeting House

Persons who want to schedule a meeting or event in the Meeting House or Town Hall should contact Jan Stout at the selectmen's office during business hours.