

Buildings and properties Commission

April 1st Meeting Minutes

Date: April 1st 2019

Time 9:30 am

Location: Selectmen's Office, Town Hall

Staff: Mark Lyon, Nick Solley, Joe Fredlund, Tony Bedini

Guest: Peter Talbot

The meeting was convened at 9:30 am and adjourned at 10:45.

The items discussed are included in the attached B&P meeting Summary.

No motions were made or votes taken.

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Bedini

12 April 2019

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Meeting Summary

1 April 2019

1. Status of Bee Brook Firehouse heating and cooling contract. **Mark has State approval and will convene a special town meeting on funding.**
2. Status of Bee Brook Firehouse floor resurfacing. **Will be included in upcoming budget.**
3. Status of New Preston gateway sign. **Should be complete in 2-3 weeks.**
4. Status of Legion Hall/Senior Center. **Adult Services Group establishing requirements.**

5. The black top sidewalks around the town hall are in very poor condition. They have depressions that collect water and freeze in the winter and cause wet feet in the summer. Their misshaped crowns make it very difficult to clean them of snow. It is proposed to replace them with 4' wide concrete material. The top step at the side entrance will be removed to eliminate the trip hazard. The railings will be reset. It will be ADA compliant. **We have a quote from A&J Construction for \$24,192. It will be included in the upcoming budget.**
6. Nick Solley is undertaking a project to renovate/repair about 30 gravestones at the Judea Cemetery. Some are broken or toppled over and need to be reset with metal rods to secure them to their bases. He estimates the cost to be about \$1,000 per site. He suggested that we budget \$6,000 per year for 5 years for the project. He will investigate the possibility of some private funding. **We request that \$6,000 be included in our upcoming budget. Tony to write the request.**
7. Discussion of New Preston proposed projects. Refer to write up on issues. Awaiting a meeting with the store owners on entire Dirk Sabin project. **Mark may place \$30,000, for the new aluminum bridge in the upcoming budget.**
8. **Tony will contact Engineered Coatings about floor moisture in hall and bowling alley and cracks in front steps.**
9. **Tony reported that we bought 2 each 4 foot diameter ceiling fans with a controller for the old portion of the town garage. Kevin will handle the installation. Cost \$530.10**
10. There are 8 single passage, outside doors at the Bee Brook Firehouse that need replacement. They are exposed to standing water in some areas due to the contour of the walks leading to the doors. Redoing the contours as not a viable solution so we plan to replace all the doors and some frames with fiberglass materials. **We have received a quote from John Quist for materials and labor for \$11,000 to be included in the upcoming budget. Materials from Washington Supply.**
11. A large piece of rain gutter has fallen off the salt shed and needs to be replaced with a continuous gutter for the length of that side. It is quite high off the ground

and should be replaced with one complete extruded gutter. **Tony has contacted a contractor.**

12. Peter Talbot came and spoke to us concerning several items. Mainly he was interested in determining if we were agreeable to them having the Sculpture Walk again this year and even the year after. We discussed, in general terms, several other subjects such as keeping the old town garage area at Titus Road as a park. Possible purchase of the Brinton property. Development of the Booth property, currently a Pop-Up park at the corner of Routes 47 and 109. Moving 5 Senses to the village center, etc. No decisions were made. **It was agreed that we had no issues with the Sculpture Walk continuing this year and possibly next year.**

Respectfully submitted,
Tony Bedini
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