

June 8, 2015 Nelson Town Buildings Committee

Attendees

David Upton

Russ Thomas

Bert Wingerson

David Birchenough

Lisa Sieverts

absent

- Sandy Mackenzie

Action Items

Dave U

- Check that Dave B is on your TBC distribution list
- Send John Waite email advising that TBC would like to see his report by our next meeting of the TBC.
- Forward John Waite's report to the TBC and wait for TBC recommendation before Selectboard votes on the proposal.

Lisa

- Get a budget number for projector/screen for Town Hall

MINUTES

Meeting called to order at 6:02 PM

Motion to accept the minutes of May 11, Dave B moves and Russ seconds, all in favor.

Discussion of meeting with John Waite, Selectboard and Bert

John's thoughts on the air-sourced heat pump in the Library Basement

- he says it should be kept running at all times at the same temperature, even though we don't use it often.
- While he was there, they saw the issue of wanting heat in the basement while the Library wanted cooler, a good real-world situation that demonstrated one of the problems with John's original design.
- Proposing Humidifier in the duct stack, NOT in the Archives room itself, in order to protect the Archives.
- John agrees that the challenges are exactly as we have described them.
- John will charge \$900 for his report.

Discussion of Kohler and Lewis

- Edie did send the updated version of the requirements to Kohler and Lewis, but they did not receive it.

- Dave B looked at the instructions for the Rinnai propane heater, and it's not easily settable. It's not a good solution for a room that many, untrained people will use. And it can't be hooked up to a digital remote thermostat.
- Dave B suggests getting heat off of the current propane furnace, by adding ducts in the current system.
- Some sense on the Buildings committee that we should get a second opinion of John Waite's design once it comes in.

Once John Waite's report is received, the TBC wants to review the report and make a recommendation before the Selectboard makes the decision.

Solar

Analysis of electrical usage

- Demands of the Town Hall, Library and Town Offices are more than the 8kW that solar on the Library will provide.
- Dave B is working on getting information on electrical usage history in all municipal buildings.
 - he's been working in the archives
 - It's hard to find anything, because all the invoices for a given month are filed together.
 - The town has 5 electrical accounts.
 - Very difficult
 - Now asking Eversource for their history information
 - Have found a good contact at Eversource
 - The bills include errors, such as how the buildings are named, and their addresses.
 - Still waiting for 3 years of electricity usage
 - Curiosity
 - when did electricity come to Nelson?

Has Jack Ruderman checked the electrical capacity for solar down at the Safety Building? Not yet.

Painting the Town Hall

over the next week

The "Beware of Lead" tape is there not because we know there is lead, but because of the age of the building, there may be lead paint.

the front door is being replaced

Town Hall Floor

MFS is planning to do another repair, and then screen and finish the floor.

Having a hard time finding a week when there are no events scheduled.

MFS may want to reserve the Hall for a week at some point so they can do this work.

No costs expected for the Town.

Projector

MFS is slow to purchase the projector, a bit low on funds after the big purchases of 2014.

is the town willing to purchase this? The Town would be the primary user, MFS does not have a need for the projector and had proposed it as something they thought the Town would use.

some question about where the old screen is? Lisa will look and see if it's still in place.

- It's no longer hanging on the wall behind the stage. It must have been taken down for the repair and interior painting, not sure where it is now. Possible Sandy's barn or the Sandbergs.

Dave U announces Sustainability Meeting

June 18th 7 PM Town Hall with Dave and Barbara Voymas

Next Meeting

Monday June 29th 6:00 PM Town Offices, should have John Waite's design to review.

Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM