

Minutes from THC meeting, held at the Addison Clerks Office, 5:00 - 6:30 ish on 12/13/23.

Present were: John Spencer, Levi Barrett, Chris Stackhouse, Ed Keagle, and Cheri Waterman. (last two not appointed yet).

John Spencer called the first "Organizational meeting", to get things started. He reported the current status of the newly appointed committee was incomplete, as Rick Santa- Maria has declined participation, and Mike Wojcowski has not answered emails. John will call Mike.

Cheri expressed strong interest in filling a seat, but asked for a few more days to decide if she could take on more responsibility. Ed also was a contender, but felt he should remain on the Facilities Study Committee. Bob Schatz was also mentioned as a good potential member.

John offered himself a Chair, and Chris volunteered to take minutes.

John did not yet have a set of 1/4" scale drawings for review, but would have for the next meeting. Chris will seek less expensive copying sources., such as VIA , Midd. College, or Kimball Office Services in Bristol.

It was recognized the estimate provided by the architects estimator is \$300K over the Bond plus ARPA funds. A few ideas to cut costs were discussed, however all agreed it will be necessary to sit down with Laz and go through the estimate line by line. Without completed drawings. scope of work description, or specifications, the committee is very limited in efforts to dissect the estimate.

It was hoped that a "Friends of the Addison Town Hall", 5013C could begin seeking local donations, and all grants possible. Geoffe Nelson, Bob Schatz, and Vince Paridis were discussed as potential sources of wisdom on how to set up a 5013C.

It was mentioned the committee should get itself organized as to procedures at meetings. Specifically controlling disruptive or excessive "public comment". Levi felt inviting 3 minute opportunities at the start and finish of the meeting, allowed folks to speak and go home, or listen and comment.

This first meeting was not recorded, but Cheri said the rest should. Levi offered to seek State guidance on what duties are required of such an appointed committee.

Chris Stackhouse- Scribe

