Community Center Planning Committee

Minutes August 7, 2012

Present: Helen Koss (Chair), Sandy Stagner, Marilyn Martin, Everett Adams, Fred Roentsch Betty Whipple.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Secretary's Report – July 10, 2012 minutes, approved as written.

Treasurer's Report - Marilyn reported a balance in the account of \$3,724.25. This included a new \$500.00 donation, the transfer of funds from the Covered Bridge Association and an expense of \$50.00 reimbursement for opening the account. There was also a pledge of \$400.00.

Old Business

<u>Plans and Bensonwood.</u> Chairman brought up an email received from Chris Carbone relating to a meeting at Bensonwood. The email outlined Bensonwood's offer to do the architectural work (plans, elevations, specifications and renderings) for \$1,500.00. The market value of this work is between \$4,000 and \$5,000.00. After discussion, the following motion was made by Marilyn Martin and seconded by Everett Adams: Move to contact Bensonwood to go ahead with the agreement to draw up plans, elevations, specifications, and renderings for a fee of \$1,500. The motion was approved unanimously.

<u>CDFA Follow-Up</u>. Chairman opened up a discussion on CDFA business tax credit program with the fact that this program did not appear on the CDFA web site. After a phone call, these facts emerged: the program will be opened for applications in February, 2013, applications will be due in April, 2013, and approval will be announced in July, 2013. Before approval, businesses may be approached for "letters of interest" that will indicate their interest in contributing to the Community Center Project.

Discussion followed on what businesses to approach and what materials should be included in presentations to prospective donors.

New Business

C & S Wholesaler's application for \$1,000.00 was not approved, but the company would supply food if the Committee decided to do a fund raiser for the Community Center project.

There was discussion about the possibility of a town-wide picnic in September to take place at the Municipal Building site based on this offer. Definite time was not announced pending receipt of architectural material from Bensonwood.

The meeting was adjourned was 8:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 11, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. A possible meeting on Tuesday, August 21, 2012 at 7:00 p.m will be held if a picnic will be held.

Respectfully submitted, Helen Koss, Secretary, Pro Tem