Town of Shutesbury

Town Buildings Committee Meeting

March 23, 2022

Members Present: Bob Groves, Frank McGinn, Bill Wells, Steve Sullivan, Becky Torres (ex officio)

Absent: Jim Aaron, Nancy Matthews

Others Present: Mary Anne Antonellis

Meeting called to order at 6:03pm by Groves.

1) Approved the Minutes of February 24, 2022, with corrections.

Wells motioned to accept the Minutes. McGinn seconded.

Ayes: Groves, McGinn, Wells, Sullivan

2) M. A. Antonellis: The current library building needs a toilet. The building has a problem with the current toilet. The current toilet is a failed experiment with a composting system. Would a Tight Tank solve the problem using the water well on Town Common. Would a Porta-Potty be feasible in the meantime, as the library is supposed to be moved in approximately two years to a new building? The Police Department might use the current library building and whatever toilet is there in the future.

BG: A new toilet could likely be installed. A water well on Town Common could likely be used for supplying water to the current library building. And any new toilet in the current library building could likely be connected to the Town Hall septic system.

- 3) Town Hall: Spraying the chimney with sealant is still open.
- 4) West School House: BG reached out to the Historical Comm. about funds for Gutters
- 5) Shutesbury Elementary School: Sidewalks, Flagpole, Brick Ramp, Drainage.

BG, BT, and BW recently did a site visit to the school (since the last BC meeting) to look at the sidewalks, the flagpole area, the brick ramp, and drainage issues. They noted that potted plants or large rocks on the concrete at the base of the flagpole would keep foot traffic off of that area. They also noted that a few bricks need replacing in the brick ramp from the parking lot to the sidewalk. They added that, on the east side of the school, drainage needs to be worked on.

SS mentioned that the curbing is coming apart from the sidewalk.

FM fixing water issues and drainage will help with this problem.

6) Shutesbury Elementary School: Shingle Roof.

Bg: The Capital Planning approved engineering Funds for the school shingle roof. But did not vote on using capital funds for construction. BG offered estimates if we do not get state support for the roof project. Approximately 400 square shingles are needed for approximately 40,000 square feet. Costs are estimated at a total of \$600,000 plus engineering. The shingles are now 28 years old and were probably a 20yo spec shingle.

BG: I would like the BC motion to support the funding the construction at Town Meeting this year

McGinn motioned to vote to use town funds. Wells seconded.

Ayes: Groves, McGinn, Wells.

Nay: Sullivan.

7) Next Meeting of BC will be April 20, 2022 @ 5:30pm

Groves moved to adjourn the meeting, Wells seconded. Ayes: Groves, McGinn, Wells, Sullivan. Meeting adjourned at 6:45

Submitted by Frank D. McGinn on June 22, 2022.