

## Old White Meeting House 2.0 - Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

### Notes from May 12,2020

*Committee Members Present:* David Carter-Chair, Greta Brunswick-NRPC, Mary Harwood-Harwood Consulting, Emily Klofft-NRPC, Linda Seavey, Sandy Gregg, Carol Tremble

*Committee Members Absent:* None

Public Present: None

(Note: Agenda posted at Town Office, Post Office, Worthen Library, & on SouthHeroVT.org)

**Meeting began:** 11:00 AM Via Zoom

#### 1. Introductions

#### 2. Grant Status Update: Greta & Emily

- 10% Town match confirmed with VCDB
- Sept application deadline still on
- NWRP will now go after architect conceptual quotes etc.
- Wastewater will be big item. Application will need to have a letter from land-owner that wastewater capacity is available.
- Contact for Cathedral Square to be provided by S. Gregg to NWRP
- \$60,000 still the target amount for the grant
- Hold off on including Stage 2 (26K) funding
- March 2021 target to sign Grant Agreement with completing grant work by end of 2021.

#### 3. Waste Water Discussion - Was Delayed due to Covid-19

David C will talk with property owners and associated parties. This is a must for our next meeting. David will report progress to the group even before next month's meeting.

Greta & Emily left meeting at this time

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#### 4. "South Hero Historic Preservation Foundation" Update

- Solicit Members - touched on briefly.

Terry Robinson said yes to being on the Board.

Sam Hilliger said tentative yes to being on the Board.

Kim Julow said yes to being the Treasurer.

David Carter agrees to be Chair and Agent

Need a Secretary!

- ByLaws review - Carol T. suggested checking North Hero Historical Society for their By-Laws, website etc.

- Register name with VT Sec of State: Discussion about the name. Mary stated some interpretation by grant/Donor sources are confused with the use of the word "Foundation". The group has to develop the Mission Statement/Goals of the organization etc. What is the scope of "Historic Preservation"? Does it include archeology studies? Is it just structures? etc. There is

considerable work to be done here and it should happen with this whole group and as soon as possible.

- 501(C)(3) Status: Name and Mission first then register with the State and IRS. Carol will provide link for 1023 IRS application form.

- Communicate intent with SHHS and Bicentennial Museum.

**NOTE: Who will do this? It is a priority.**

- Mary will research Little Green Light cost for new very small start-up.

- Signage: David brought up the need to brand OWMH as such since it is known more as Granny's Attic and the Grannies do not own the building. The Town owns the building. There will be \$14,000 available July 1 some of which could go toward a sign on the building below the current "Granny's Attic" sign.

- Linda S. will research an additional historic sign through her contacts.

- Sign permit to be obtained through Zoning Office.

Next HISTORIC PRESERVATION Meeting: Wed May 20th at 11:00 AM. Sandy to Zoom Host.

**5. Next OWMH 2.0 to be scheduled**

**6. Adjourned** at 12:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Sandy Gregg, Scribe