TOWN HOUSE ADVISORY GROUP MINUTES March 15, 2018

Attending: Rockwell Fuller, Chair, Curt Albee, Vice Chair, Martha Manheim, Steve Handy, Paul Kifner, Overseer, and Donna Hollinger,

- 1. Fund Raising: Rocky reported that approximately \$9K has been received as a result of our fund raising letter mailed out last month. This brings our total of funds raised to \$101K including a \$15K contingency fund set aside by the Town. As we would prefer not to use the contingency fund, will still have a little additional fund raising to do. It was decided to resubmit a grant application to the Windham Foundation, as they had encouraged us to do so. Steve Handy will follow up on this.
- 2. Rocky and Curt attended the Historic Preservation awards reception on Wednesday, March 15 at the State House to receive the \$20K (fake) check from the program. The Valley News has scheduled an interview with Rocky, so that they can inform their readers of our efforts. Payment of this award will happen when the project is 100% complete.
- 3. Paul Kifner, Town House Overseer, reported that our new AV equipment performed well at the Town Meeting. Paul mentioned that he has talked with Reckless Breakfast about participation in a June 2nd or 3rd performance, possibly with the inclusion of a Tunbridge band. Steve Handy mentioned that Iris Dement will be playing in Haverhill at Court Street Arts Center on June 9th and that, as she was going to be in the area, she might consider adding a concert at the Town House. PK agreed to speak with Jim Rooney who apparently knows Iris well. We are still in need of a sponsor for the summer concert series. A donation of roughly \$1K would cover our advertising costs.
- 4. Paul is good for another year as Overseer, pleased with the progress that has been made and enthusiastic about the coming season. Paul did ask to be left in peace by everyone during events, as he needs to concentrate on his duties. Steve Handy will give Paul a hand during events and run interference if necessary. He mentioned that the Town House has been reserved for a wedding during the fall of 2019,
- 5. Clean up day is coming up. Sunday, April 29, 10 AM -1 PM
- 6. We need to move forward with a power drop (hook up) on the power pole at the base of the Town House Driveway. Rocky was going to solicit an estimate on this item. Funds for this are in the annual maintenance budget.
- 7. Next Meeting: April 19, 2018 at Martha Manheim's at 7 PM