

Lanes Cove Fish Shack Building Committee
Minutes of meeting of 8/8/2011

The second meeting of the Lanes Cove Fish Shack Building Committee was held at the City Hall Annex on Pond Rd at 2 pm on August 8, 2011

Members present were: (5 of 7 thus a quorum)

Jim Hafey (Chairman)

Damon Cummings (Secretary)

Barbara Jobe

Russell Hobbs

Bill Sanborn

Also attending was Jackie Hardy.

Minutes of the Meeting of August 1,2 were accepted.

The letter requested describing work done to date was delivered from Jim Hafey to Bill Sanborn and a copy is preserved in the committee records. Bill added that the protruding nails must be addressed and a permanent sign posted.

Russell Hobbs is pursuing further research into history and deeds and the city archives group (Sarah Dunlap) has been contacted. It is the consensus of the committee that Ms Egan's research establishes city ownership of the land and building. However for piecing together the historical story of the building we wish to investigate the ownership and litigation history further.

Some discussion ensued about approach to repair or rebuild. It was the consensus that we wish the building to last many years after whatever we do to it, not just a temporary fix that must be repeated in a few years. We need to address options and costs and longevity estimates for any approaches.

Bill Sanborn recommends searching for a volunteer architect or designer to lay out approaches. Bill Sanborn will look for interest from designers. A Times article might help raise interest in this and Jim Hafey will mention this to the Times.

We need to update the mayor on the condition of the shack and our desire to repair it permanently, not patch it up temporarily.

We estimate being ready to make a public presentation in Lanesville on our progress at the end of September.

It was felt that we needed to make it useable to make it pay for its maintenance. Priority would be given to commercial fishermen for any use of the space for work or storage.

It was pointed out by Bill Sanborn that simple demolition of the building would be expensive for the city general fund. Rebuilding or repair using private funds or grants or donations would save the city money. The city actually has no funding for demolition.

Bill Sanborn will check with the Conservation agent (Lisa Press) to see if we can clear brush from around the buildings and trim sumac branches that are contacting the structure.

If we are to replace the structure with a more historically accurate one, the consensus was to use post and beam construction and do preliminary framing and cutting elsewhere, such as in the Lanesville Community Center yard so that the transition from present structure to replacement would be rapid. It is hoped that any actual work can be accomplished in the spring of 2012.

Jim Hafey will talk to Sarah Garcia about the possibility of some rapid CPA funding.

Any discussion of Chapter 91 tidelands issues is deferred until Jim Caulkett is available.

The next meeting was scheduled for Monday, August 15 at 2 pm at the Pond Road City Hall Annex

The meeting adjourned at 3:23
Damon E. Cummings 8/8/2011