

# City Hall Restoration Commission

## Summary of Meeting held on Monday, November 30<sup>th</sup> 2015

Location: Third Floor Conference Room, City Hall

Present: J.J. Bell, Jan Bell, Maggie Rosa, Bill Sanborn, Deb Laurie

Absent: Steve Dexter, Jim Hafey, Craig Herrmann, Steve Pardee

### Minutes

- Minutes of the November 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting were unanimously approved.

### Invoices

- No invoices to review

### Ceiling

- Proposal from Moore Plastering has been received, for \$9900 of which \$5200 is for the scaffolding. Bill noted that no trash can be transferred from Gloucester to Rockport.
- No response has been received from Primo Plastering in response to Steve Dexter's letter, dated November 19. Bill Sanborn will try to contact Primo Plastering.
- The CHRC will discuss this again next week.

### ADA – Lift to the stage

- Deb reported that the PO was generated on Wednesday November 25. This would allow the work to be done on Saturday December 5. Unfortunately, Jim Hafey was unavailable to provide an update. Bill expressed his opinion that this work needs to get done as soon as possible as otherwise the project will drag out. It was supposed to be completed by November 30, 2015.

### ADA –Other items - No Update

- Jim is waiting for the signage that will be installed at the North elevation regarding the MAAB requirement that this is entryway is only an EXIT.
- At a previous meeting Jim noted that the elevator company is working on addressing the MAAB requirements and that the cost will be on the order. Jim noted that the work is queued up and that City Hall is low on the list. NO UPDATE
- Bill Sanborn reported that the Assistant City Engineer continues to draft a new plan for the parking issues. Maggie to ascertain the cost for the original plan and we would then submit it to Mike Hale for inclusion in his budget for 2017.

### Attic Venting

- Given the warm weather the vents in the attic have not yet been closed for the winter – Jim expects that they will be closed in the coming week. NO UPDATE
- Bruce Dearden of CAC Mechanical Services, Inc. has suggested that the venting could be accomplished by running spiral duct inside the existing wooden duct from the plenum (auditorium?) to the towers. Also to run new metal exhaust duct from the grills in the ceiling to the new spiral. That way the exhaust duct would be one hour rated. Craig thinks that this could get pricey and that if the ductwork is redone, new code requirements will come into play. Craig suggested that we ask Bruce to calculate and provide fans for the auditorium and the amount of air to be moved. Then Bruce can size the fans for the space and what it would take to install them. Then a separate price to redo the ductwork. A meeting will be set up to discuss this proposed ideas.
- Maggie will inform Candace Wheeler of the Clean Energy Commission about the venting system – a model for clean energy. Needs to do this.

## **Fundraising**

- Jan has scheduled a meeting for Wednesday December 16<sup>th</sup> to discuss the Bananas event.

## **Masonry**

- J.J. asked Doug for a pricing on doing the masonry, one elevation at a time. Doug provided the estimated costs for doing two elevations at a time. Doing the four elevations would result in spotty work. Overall cost is \$1.7 million which is \$300,000 over doing all four elevations at same time.
- Bill suggested that the mortar issues on the East elevation be addressed, as this is the elevation that has most problems.
- J.J. suggests that we concentrate on the fire alarm and sprinkler systems at this time.

## **Project Costs**

- Maggie to generate a list of costs for the various projects and ask Jim Destino to join us at a meeting so that we can update him and we can prioritize. Maggie proposed January 11.

## **Auditorium Shades**

- Repairs to the auditorium shades –Steve Dexter will ascertain if additional shades need to be repaired. He has found another broken one. ONGOING

## **Noisy Furnace Issue**

- Jan noted that the Slifers who live near to City Hall on Pleasant Street have commented on the noise that the furnace makes. Also noted by Steve Dexter. Jim will check out the system to see if there is anything wrong.
- Jim will also be ascertaining if the heating cost of City Hall was reduced last year due to the new furnace and storm windows.
- NO UPDATE

## **Clean up of balcony**

- Jan asked for the balcony to be cleaned prior to the Middle Street Walk.

## **Items not discussed but not to fall too far off the radar screen**

- Cracked class in the tower Maggie to follow up with Campbell Construction
- Cracked basement room window – Jim suggests installing ¼” mesh to protect all of the basement windows from damage from stones.
- Docket for FY17 budget request
- Fire alarm drill –
- Capital Bond bill
- “City Hall.” Signs – re above for the need of a bucket truck.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00am.

Our next meeting will be December 7<sup>th</sup> City Hall at 10:00am.