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Building Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
April 29, 2009

**ATTENDANCE:** The meeting was convened at 7:40 pm in the Commission Room by Chairman Fitzpatrick with members Coprio, Wolf, Swerdlowe, and Gary present. Member Raisa Kendall joined the meeting in progress at 8:34 pm. Town Administrator Landry was also present. Alternate Energy Committee member Jack Davidoff also was present.

**TOWN HALL ROOF:** Mr. Landry said that the project is essentially complete, with a walk through scheduled for tomorrow at 1:30. There is some minor damage to be repaired at the sally-port door, and broken glass to be replaced in a Commission Room door. He provided an April 27 email from project designer and inspector Kim Winchell, which briefly describes the state of the project.

**BOOSTER BARN:** Mr. Landry said that while he could not pursue bidding the project during the budget process, he was now able to do so. However, the Boosters have yet to respond to the questions about their intended operation, which may change the Board of Health requirements for the project. These must be addressed before the project documents are issued. Building Inspector Rack Gleason has offered to help solicit this response, but to date has not had any luck. Mr. Landry will send a letter to the Boosters informing them that the project will not move forward until they can complete this questionnaire from the Board of Health. He will also enlist the First Selectman to coax a response from the Boosters.

**AUDITORIUM:** The group discussed the status of the project and the outstanding payment claimed by various subcontractors from the general contractor, Carlson Construction. Carl Goedecke has been working with Carlson, but they have not delivered the requested information as promised. Mr. Landry said that he has tried to make contact several times with the bond holder, Hanover Insurance, but to no avail as of yet. He did send a registered letter to them on April 9, but several telephone follow ups have been fruitless. Also, he said no payments have been made since their non-payment to sub contractors came to light.

The Board directed that Carl and Town Counsel begin the process of placing the company on preliminary termination notice. This will include a request for all manuals, warranties, punch list completion, a complete listing of sub contractor payments owed and made, and tracking of Carl's time to pursue this claim. It also directed that Town Counsel send a letter to Hanover Insurance Co.

**ALTERNATE ENERGY COMMITTEE:** Mr. Swerdlowe suggested that the Committee be dissolved, and its activities brought back to the Building Committee. Mr. Gary will head the Committee's efforts, with others to participate as they wish. Mr. Landry reported

that he has signed the UTC proposal for phase one services, and that the completion date is set as June 30. Some discussion of the viability of fuel cell technology vs. other options followed. There was also some discussion of the grant possibilities for such projects, which is a field in a state of flux at the moment. Mr. Gary said the next effort will be to start development of a business model for the alternative energy project. Concurrent with that will be pre-schematic design development

ADJOURN: At 8:53 pm, by unanimous vote ( Coprio motion, Wolf second) the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.