Monkton Building Committee

Minutes - 11/5/20

Present: Chris Huston, Melanie Cote, Stephen Pilcher, Deb Rickner, Peter Straube, Heather Bessette, Theresa Schwegel **Guest**: Robin Hopps

7:10 meeting called to order.

Robin Hopps re: Monkton Quartzite: John Cleary of Cleary Stone has steps of Monkton Quartzite. He has 200 linear feet of stone that's in 6-7 foot lengths by about 7-9". H can cut it as a veneer of 1-2" which could be a foundation veneer. Another idea would be a corner stone of the quartzite. John said it might not be great for patios. Robin will look into how much the quartzite costs per square foot and get back to Chris.

Chris - It's best not to use the quartzite at the entrance due to ADA compliance and keeping a similar surface. The veneer would look great, but it could be expensive. We don't have much time to implement if we want to use it as foundation veneer, but we have plenty of time if we want to use the quartzite as site features (benches).

Chris - Construction Site Activities:

Roof is up. Vault is nearly done. Elevator shaft is done. MEP rough in once the building is weather tight. Septic installed soon. Windows installed before Thanksgiving.

Will reuse existing door mainly due to cost (\$20,000).

Deb - question of packing and moving the town hall. Chris - that'll happen around April.

Chris - Review updated budget: Approved change orders of: ADA door opener (grant covers all but \$612) and \$11,000 water line that state required be installed. \$378 change in color of rubber floor. The owner contingency of \$46, 636 is good for where we're at in the process.

Stephen - Sale of Library: Waiting on a parcel # from the listers. Jane Lowe spoke with and Stephen wrote a letter to grandson of Harvey Russell, and he's on board for selling, but he'd like to know the tax implications. Stephen is looking into this and will connect with Russells.

West patio has been roughed out. Supervisor is in communication with Ben from Monkton. Gravel down 1st, then fabric, then sand.

Furniture Selection Update: Invited Office Environments rep to come to town hall. Placement of furniture is underway. It will be important to have furniture and art with warmth and color as a contrast to the monochromatic finishes. Library agrees the style and quality of OE doesn't quite fit the "living room feel" that the library is interested in.

Library Door location - Library feedback is to place it to the right (East wall) where it saves space and it's not in the middle of the library. Chris would recommend sliding it along the East foundation wall.

Landscaping Committee: Deb has an invite to send out. Theresa is working on a \$3,000 grant from American Library Association that requires a community conversation about an outdoor library space. There are also community members with landscaping experience who are interested in being on this committee. Thursday the 19th may be a landscaping committee meeting.

Buildings Grant: It's very helpful that we have grant money to install the ADA door openers.

Interior Finishes: Chris showed samples of carpet, marmoleum floor, countertops, and bathroom tile and railing colors. Chris will send photos of the narrowed down samples for final feedback.

Peter will write an update to the community.

Next meeting date: Thursday, December 3rd at 7 pm

8:30 pm meeting adjourned