

TOWN OF EDGECOMB
Building Committee Meeting
April 28, 2010

PRESENT: Jack Sarmanian, (selectmen); Marilee Harris (secretary); Mike Smith; Sue Carlson; Ron Carey; Larry Omland (EMA Director); Roy Potter (Fire Chief)

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 p.m.

A motion was made to accept the April 7, 2010 minutes as amended. Seconded. Passed 5-0.

BUSINESS:

USDA Loan

Jack said he has completed 95% of the USDA Loan. He has been working with Mike Jenkins and is encouraged by the USDA procedure. There are a few details remaining. One of them is a letter from the Historical Society. Sue said there was a Structures Form from the Historical Society in the vault giving descriptions of all buildings in the Town over 40 years of age.

A motion was made for Jack to prepare a USDA loan as a representative of The Building Committee for \$675,000. Seconded. Passed 5-0.

TIF Funds

Jack reported Eaton & Peabody had amended the TIF agreement to allow TIF funds to cover the entire cost of the new building. The payment of the loan begins a year after construction is done.

Jack drafted a warrant article for this year's Town Meeting agreeing to borrow the money and handed a copy to everyone. Mike suggested adding the interest rate 4.125%.

Jack said he has a call into Rick Elder to discuss having the Budget Committee supporting the warrant article as well.

The committee discussed possible opposition to the warrant and Larry said the biggest concern would probably be what the cost will be for the individual tax payer. The TIF agreement would be a way to keep from having to raise taxes.

Many of the committee members said they have not heard of any opposition. Mike said he has received a phone call saying the amount was crazy.

Architect

Jack said he placed an advertisement for interested architects to respond. Larry asked if John Hanson would be submitting a proposal. Jack said he talked with him and Mr. Hanson said he

would have no problem in doing so. Jack said he would contact Mr. Hanson to let him know the advertisement had been placed in the paper.

Sue questioned if there would be a sufficient number of applicants by placing the ad only in the local papers. Sue wondered if an ad needed to be placed in the Portland Press Herald and/or Times Record. Jack said he felt the local papers were sufficient and the cost was prohibitive.

Sue has created a list of questions for the committee to use to interview possible architects.

Discussion about the Woodend Fund

Jack said the Selectmen decided they would not bring up the idea of using the Woodend Funds. However, if someone stood up from the Waterfront Committee at the Town Meeting they would entertain the idea. Jack said he has talked with Tom Boudin who is open to the idea as long as there is confirmation in paying back the fund.

What will be done for the next meeting

The Committee will prepare for the Town Meeting. Jack said the Committee should be ready to give a 15 minute presentation.

Meeting before Town Meeting, on May 19th at 5:15

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.