

## **Town Hall Preservation Committee**

August 24, 2022

Committee members present: Paul Baines, Mark Dube, Brad Foley, Sarah Stapler, Betsy Steen, Rachelle Tome, Darren Carey

The Committee was called to order at 4:30 pm. Minutes from 7/20/22 were reviewed. Motion to accept from Sarah/Paul; Passed- 5-yeyes; 1-abstention

### **Updates**

- A. **Celebrate Bowdoinham-** Final preparations for Celebrate Bowdoinham were discussed. Darren has sent out letters to potential donors and will be gathering up items as needed. Auction slips will be posted over by the Town's tent, with auction items labeled and displayed for viewing on nearby tables. A separate table will be set up for the Town Hall Restoration/Preservation project and will include the Town Hall replica created by Sarah, pictures of areas needing repair, and a collection of historical information. A volunteer list will also be available for those interested in signing up. A model of the "Circa" plaque fundraiser will be available, along with order forms. Plaques may be purchased as a decorative item for homes for a minimum donation of \$50.00. It was also suggested that a sticker be placed on the back, designating it as a fund raiser for the Town Hall project.
  
- B. **Preservation Timber Framing-** The assessment of the Town Hall has been scheduled for Friday, September 9<sup>th</sup>. It was suggested that pictures be taken of key areas of need to help communicate with the community and to document our progress. Darren indicated that he would meet with the group and ensure access to the building.
  
- C. **Next Steps-**
  - a. Determine timeline, spring dates
  - b. Create a draft construction plan
  - c. Identify a volunteer coordinator
  - d. Determine other items needed
  
- D. **Other items-**
  - a. Budget
  - b. Roof costs
  - c. Fundraising

Motion to adjourn (Sarah/ Paul), approved unanimously at 5:31 pm

**Next meeting: Wednesday, 9/21/22 at 4:30 PM at Merrymeeting Hall.** The public is welcome.