

Baldwin Community Center Committee Minutes – 4/20/2016

Attendance: Kurt Olafsen, Paul Thomas, Donna Estes, Deb Boulanger, Bruce Crawford and public attendance

The 4/6/2016 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

Heating Costs: The costs continued to be reviewed and numbers worked to create the most accurate reflection of costs to operate the building.

Grants: There are numerous amounts of grants available; it's a matter of finding the right ones. It was recommended that we look at our top 5 topics on the Town Meeting selection chart (being able to use the multi-purpose room, education and life skills, summer recreation, physical fitness/aerobics, and commercial kitchen) and narrow our criteria to find the appropriate grants associated with those topics; just as a starting spot. Additional requirements/needs will also be reviewed for grants.

Selectman, Jeff Sanborn, provided some additional details in regards to creating an emergency shelter area. Some of those needs: a generator, space for parking, space for sleeping, registration area, manager office, food prep, rec area, toilet/shower & heat. It was agreed that our building provides the space to accommodate these areas. Further information will continue to be obtained as well as available grants for the needed items.

Cleanup Day: It was agreed that a small group of volunteers would coordinate a time to meet and go through the building for first phase of clean up and organization of the items left behind.

Listening to the public:

Next Steps:

Information from State of Maine / Status of occupancy permit

Further discussion in relation to utility/heating costs

Further discussion/research in relation to available grants