

CITY OF ST. ALBANS
CITY HALL RENOVATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES NO. 6

SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

Attendees: Merritt Ellsworth, Jill Snapp, Pauline Cray, Lynn Knight, Jim Cameron .

Meeting came to order at 6:05.

- Jim stated that there would be a Public Meeting on September 22, 2014 at 6:30 if schedule allowed. Pass the word along to all. The meeting will be “warned” and we should consider having it in the gym for space reasons. Also talked about serving refreshments/coffee.
- Discussed the City Consul meeting that was held the night before. Discussed overall concerns and support of the members.
- Laz has spent time with the City Hall clerk regarding the vault concerns. It was stated that the storage capacity will increase drastically as well as their needs for the extra space will increase over the next few years. This vault would allow for many years of growth.
- Designs plans for the new vault would consist of a “stand up” work station. The basement vault would be for items that would not necessarily be viewed.
- Preservation of the lower vault contents was discussed. We have two companies submitting estimates on the most efficient way to clean and preserve these items.
- Explained to the group the energy modeling process and the outcome of our walk thru with Engineering Services of Vermont. This report will be ready beginning to middle of October.
- Concerns on how the ADA ramp to the elevator would hold up against weather and what precautions would be taken. Also talked about designs for that area.
- Talked about marketing the gym to the public. How to better get the word out that it is available for public events. Would like to see the gym used more.
- Jim gave an overview of the scope of work that is currently being proposed. Also talked about some changes that could save the city money in the long run and he will discuss these items with Dominic and Laz at their next meeting.
- The question was asked regarding the impact of this project on the property taxes. What percentage would be passed on to the public? As Jim remembers hearing, the city is resolving some old debt in the next 9 months or so which will help the impact on the project and the cost associated with the taxes.

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Meeting was adjourned at 7:15. No new meeting scheduled at this time.

CC: Liz Gamache - Mayor, Dominic Cloud- City Manager, Laz Scangas, Architect, Arnold & Scangas Architects