

Capital Grant Committee Meeting
Orwell Free Library
Thursday, December 7, 2023 7:00 PM
In Person Meeting with Zoom link option
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82433766785>

Attendees: Andrea Treadway, Kate Hunter, Cindy Werner, Danielle Rougeau, Jim Dougherty

Minutes

Call to Order – 7:04pm

Citizen Comments - none

Approval of Minutes: 11/9/2023 meeting notes – moved by Jim, seconded by Cindy, approved

OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Vermont Libraries Grant Application and other potential resources
 - a. No update on the VT Libraries Grant Application
 - b. Discussed Bruhn, concerned that it will force us onto the National Registry
 - c. CRRP Grant, community recovery and revitalization grant, will look into it for next meeting
 - d. ALA Transforming Communities due December 11
 - i. Kate sent specifics to Anne & Jim for them to send out to the WMB for comment
 - e. Asked Danielle (representing the OHS) if they have anything to add
 - i. List provided to WMB is still the extent of their ask (windows, lights, doors, electricity to heat pump...)
 - f. REDI Grant for consultant funding. \$7500 max cost. Grant writer, architect, cost estimator,
 - i. Rolling applications
2. Other Grant Opportunities for WMB and OFL (Discussion)
 - a. None discussed

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion of new drawings offered by George Helmer
 - a. Drawings from Mr. Helmer are tremendously helpful. They only look into one aspect of this project. Can an architect help us pull together the bigger picture and make sense of the larger ask with renovations and restorations?
2. Request from OFL Trustees
 - a. Would like to have a meeting for an update after WMB and committee meet
3. Alex Tolstoi: Requested scope of work with priorities.
 - a. Not applying for Bruhn so will wait until we know who will be involved to set scope

RECAP

1. Tasks to be Completed and Member to Report at Next Meeting
 - a. Waiting to hear from WMB about their interest in the scale of the project
 - b. Meet with OFL Trustees to discuss options after WMB meets

Date of Next meeting: TBD

Adjournment: 8:01pm