

THPT

Board of Directors

5-13-13

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm

Present were: Ed Cook, Ed Cannata, Marc Trivella, Mike Boe, Bobbi Boe, Travis Lipinski, John Manson, Mark McEachern, Chuck Perret, Tom Ethier, Linda Beyus, Bruno Bagnaschi

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.

Treasurer's report: checking account balance is \$3,291.07

It was agreed to purchase 3 \$50 gift certificates from daCapo and present them to d. Stoughton, M. Marola and T. LaGanga.

Linda Beyus presented the report of the website committee: work continues on the mission statement, a meeting next week with Stephen Michna will be announced.

Ed Cannata presented the marketing committee report: Ed secured photo enlargements from the chamber for Sam Slaiby's show "City Views". The committee has been working on setting goals and has discussed a brochure, public events, and fundraising events.

Two of the fundraising events that show promise and will need work are a car show and a concert with Tom Ethier's band. Ed led a short discussion about coming up with a list of questions that the public might want to know about. For example, who is the THPT ?; what is the site for Skee's diner ?; and what are the preservation trust finances and management? It was agreed that as a group we would inform the public that we are focusing on the restoration and keeping the diner in Torrington.

Travis mentioned that a list of in-kind donors should be posted on the website. It was discussed that this list would include individuals and companies as applicable. Ed Cannata will post on website. Everyone should check the list to make sure it is complete and correct.

Recent Activities, (restoration subcommittee): Ed Cook reported that the committee held two meetings to strategize and create a punch list. M. Marola will remove the diner from the trailer soon and support it on jack stands. Work days are planned to remove the diner from the trailer (5-18) and to remove the roof covering (5-25). There was a discussion of purchasing masks and protective clothing for the roof removal.

M. McEachern gave a legal update. The Chamber Education Foundation has recorded the bill of sale from the Church of St Maron. The CEF is working with the State Historic Preservation Office to finalize the preservation restriction.

John Manson provided an insurance review. He has requested an agent to put together a commercial package for the Trust that will include the following coverage: builders risk, liability, property, and directors and officers liability. Quotes will be obtained and the board can choose coverages and carriers.

Ed Cook reviewed the names of some interested volunteers including Hocon Gas, Psams, and Bahr Automotive. He noted the receipt of our first internet donation (\$15) and presented a donation of \$500 from Chuck and Gloria Perret.

Review of project pace and activities: We are learning to work well as a group with several subcommittees and shared responsibilities.

Open Floor: Mark Mc. Mentioned grant possibilities from the National Trust, the Torrington facade program, and Torrington Dough. It was agreed that the time frame for the National Trust grant was too short for this year.

The next board meeting was scheduled for Monday June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30  
The marketing committee will meet on May 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30  
And the website committee possibly on May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

Mark McEachern  
Acting Secretary