Town Hall Study Committee
Minutes
June 10, 2004

Present: Jeff Marden, Norma Patten, Candace Daigle, David Morse, Ron Mitchell & Linda Frawley

The meeting opened with the acknowledgment by the committee that Ken Knowlton has resigned from the committee and as chairman, but had indicated approval of the committee's final draft report.

David Morse nominated Jeff Marden to succeed as Chairman. Norma Patten seconded and the vote was unanimous.

The committee reviewed Vollmer Associates cost estimates to repair and replace the existing town hall roof. Ron Mitchell was present when they inspected the roof and said they were thorough. Mr. Mitchell felt the estimate was low. He felt a metal rook as estimated would be a problem in the winter, causing excessive falling snow. He suggested architectural shingles. He concluded that the estimate of $115,000 would be 30% higher, or $149,500.

Mr. Mitchell continued to dispute putting more money into the current town hall. Jeff Marden felt it was best left for the public to decide.

The committee began to review the committees final draft report dated June 9th, 2004. Mr. Mitchell was concerned of costs increases that have occurred in the construction industry and how that might impact and amounts being quoted in the report. Linda Frawley agreed and felt costs could have doubled. Mr. Mitchell felt the report spelled out the project well to the selectmen. David Morse felt the report indicated a large list of obstacles to implementing a town hall solution and felt recommendation #10 should be moved to number #1. Norma Patten wanted to see the current town hall properly maintained regardless of the eventual town hall solution. Linda Frawley agreed.

David Morse made a motion to accept the report as drafted. Norma Patten seconded. The vote was unanimous to accept with the amendment to attach the roof report and estimates that were not reflected in the committees report.

The committee then discussed and informally polled each member as to his or her belief to recommend repairing, replacing or leave alone the town hall roof. Lindsay Frawley, Norma Patten, David Morse and Jeff Marden indicate their desire to replace the roof. Ron Mitchell wished to leave it alone. The committee also wanted to make sure their desire for a new roof was not to be construed as an indication for a new town hall or not.

Respectfully Submitted,

David F. Morse