WEST TRAVERSE TOWNSHIP

New Hall Committee Meeting minutes
February 17, 2025

Olson called the February 17, 2025 New Township Hall mtg to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call: Olson, Green, Baker

Absent: none

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

Complete Staffing of the New Hall Committee Team: Discussion was had on how to run the meeting. Baker mentioned a community member, Kathy Erber, expressed a desire to be on the committee. It was agreed to have a core group, Olson, Green and Baker, and then have each one bring a list of people that could be involved. Those persons could be specialty groups that report back to the core individual. Baker questioned Face-Timing when a core member is out of town. It was agreed to keep the committee small for now. Olson mentioned putting an announcement on the website to gather interest.

Key Project Work List, Assignment of Responsibilities and Project Timelines: Green suggested dividing up the assignments. Discussion was had on narrowing the options. Green noted there were four; completely renovate the current Hall, conventional construction on already owned Township property, a custom Morton building or do nothing and continue as is. Baker questioned if the office needs to be in West Traverse Township, maybe renting office space elsewhere. It was discussed the size of a building that the township requires for voting, etc. After discussion it was decided to assign certain responsibilities to the members. Olson will: contact the Architect to evaluate costs of renovating the building and explore the historic value. Green will contact MTA regarding financing options i.e. loans and also will talk with John Baker about sale of the existing building and/or using it for a non-profit entity. Baker will get in contact with Morton Builders to get information on their custom designed buildings and obtain examples.

Schedule meetings for New Hall Committee: Currently meeting again on Tuesday March 25, 2025. Will determine schedule at a later date.

Olson adjourned the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Respectively submitted by: Jay Olson

Transcribed by:

Amy Peters

Proposed: February 17, 2024
Approved: February 25, 2025