# Town of Stow

# Town Hall Restoration Committee

# Meeting Minutes

December 6, 2018

1. Call to order

Doug Hyde called to order the regular meeting of the Town Hall Restoration Committee at 7:03 pm on December 6, 2018 at the Stow Town Building, Lower Floor.

1. Roll call

The following people were present:

Committee Members:

Doug Hyde, Chairman (left early at 8:05pm), Andy Crosby, Ed Deluca (arrived at 7:25 pm), Julianne North, Marilyn Zavorski

Not Present:

Tom Ryan, Vice Chair, Arnold Epstein,

Other Attendees:

Liz Moseley, Rosemary Bawn, Linda Hathaway

1. Discussion of CBI’s Protest to the Attorney General
	1. The committee was meeting to discuss the fact that CBI has submitted a letter to the Attorney General that the committee had violated Massachusetts public bidding laws. As a result, the town was notified that the Office of the Attorney General is investigating the matter. The Attorney General’s office scheduled a hearing on CBI’s protest for Monday, December 17, 2018 at 10:00 A.M. in Boston.
	2. The committee reviewed the history of negotiations efforts with CBI and current situation regarding CBI’s challenge of the committee’s decision to stop negotiations with CBI. Doug noted that the Bill Wrigley and the Town Counsel both recommended that the committee restart negotiations with CBI as a good faith effort to create a workable agreement work with CBI.
	3. The committee discussed the alternatives of restarting the negotiations with CBI or to defend the earlier vote to cease negotiations. The committee also discussed whether the committee should vote on a motion to restart negotiations at this meeting or schedule a meeting the next week when all committee members would be available to vote a motion. The committee tentatively agreed to meet Tuesday, December 11, 2018 for that purpose.
	4. After additional discussion, the committee decided that due to the short time before the hearing that the committee should vote on a motion immediately. (During this discussion, Ed Deluca joined the meeting)
	5. Motion and Vote

Andy Crosby made, and Marilyn Zavorski seconded a motion to rescind the previous vote to terminate negotiations with CBI, restart the negotiations and request the Attorney General to keep the file on CBI’s challenge open for a period of time as recommended by Stow’s Town Counsel. The motion passed by the majority.

Doug Hyde, Andy Crosby, Ed Deluca, and Julianne North voted in favor of and Marilyn Zavorski voted against the motion.

* 1. As part of the effort to re-engage with CBI, the committee decided to create a letter detailing the items which CBI needed to address to successfully conclude a contract with the committee. The committee agreed that each member would e-mail Doug Hyde with their key requirements for an acceptable contract from CBI for inclusion in the letter.
1. Joint Meeting with the Stow Historical Commission

The committee moved up to the second floor to meet with the Stow Historical Commission to discuss the Commission’s requirements for requested storage and workspace in the Town Hall. (Doug Hyde left this meeting at 8:05 pm)

1. Adjournment

The discussion on the Commission’s requirements concluded and the Town Hall Restoration Committee left the Historical Commission’s meeting.

Ed Deluca made, and Andy Crosby seconded a motion to adjourn the Committee’s meeting. The vote was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm.

Minutes submitted by: Andrew B. Crosby

 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Minutes Approved on: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_