

Minutes  
Cecil Hotel Restoration Board  
17 Jun 09

The meeting was opened at 1904 hrs by the chairman and the minutes of the 20 May 09 meeting were approved as distributed.

Ron Edwards noted that Virginia Gatch, the present secretary, was having difficulty finding the time to do that job, although she still wanted to be on the board. Audrey Edwards nominated Dick Price as secretary and Prosper Boudart seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The chairman presented an email report of the progress on the loan of \$136,000 for the Cecil Hotel. The approval process is nearing completion, as the Board of Public Works should have voted on it today.

In order to start the structural analysis of the building, we await the funding (about \$5,000), which should arrive in July. We should also know then whether the non-capital grant (\$28,000 from the state plus \$7,000 from the town) will become available.

Prosper Boudart, head of the "Modernization committee" planning the kitchen and baths, reported that planning is in just the conceptual stages; but he thinks that there should probably be a half-bath in the basement and another on the first floor and two full baths on the second floor with no additional structure on the outside of the house.

The committee discussed the next steps needed in the restoration planning and decided that bid-list committees needed to be appointed to identify work that will need to be done. To that end, three additional committees were formed. We now have committees on:

1. Interior Finishing – Bob Phillips (painting) and Audrey Edwards and Charles Murphy (plaster)
2. HVAC – Steve Vandervort
3. Floors, doors and sprinklers – Ron Edwards
4. Modernization – Prosper Boudart, Ursula Boudart, Suzanne Fockler and Dave Gordon

The committee discussed the possibility of the town workers doing some exploratory work on the building, which would facilitate the structural analysis. Steve and Wib agreed that as time was available, the town workers would begin removing the brick veneer on the foundation, which would allow an examination

of the underlying stonework. The crew will only remove veneer that is not firmly adhered to the stonework beneath it.

The meeting was adjourned at 2022 hrs.

G. Richard Price  
Secretary

Present: Prosper Boudart, Audrey Edwards, Ron Edwards, Dave Gordon, Charles Murphy, Bob Phillips, Dick Price, Wib Pumpaly, and Steve Vandervort