

October 17, 2007

Bergen Town Board

Special Meeting

The Bergen Town Board and the Village of Bergen Trustees convened for a special meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Bergen Fire Hall to discuss the Tulley Building.

PRESENT:

Supervisor John Specht
Councilman Hugh McCartney
“ Donald Cunningham
“ Barry Miller
Councilwoman Julie Baker
Town Clerk, Michele M. Smith

Other Attendees:

Wayne Bailey	Stacey Brown	Ray McConnell
Ann Marie Barclay	Ginny Adams	Kelly Hallenbeck
Paul Cooper	Robert Bausch	Tally Almquist
Lori Nelson	Holden DP Miller	JoAnn Demarle
Grace Gallivan	Nancy Bailey	Charles Dodgson
Pat Camelio	Jerry Sheridan	Elizabeth Smith
Robert Smith	Anne Sapienza	

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Village of Bergen Mayor, Wayne Bailey opened the meeting at 7:10 PM explaining the reason for the meeting was to get more ideas and options from the Village and Town building’s committees so that the plans for the Tulley Building can move forward. Town Supervisor John Specht stated that more information (grants and cost of project) is needed before the Town of Bergen can make any decisions.

Concerns:

- Both Town and Village building Committees should work together to keep project moving forward.
- What grants that are available for Municipal Consolidation and Library – Committees will meet with Stuart Brown about available grants. Consolidation grants should look at all schemes 7 & 8.
- Grants aren’t a sure thing.
- Common meeting rooms should be large enough for all uses and scheduled meetings for Town and Village use and should have 1 large and 1 small meeting room.
- The Town will have to spend more money to renovate the Tulley Building and the future plans for the present Town Hall and the 3 other properties the Town owns.
Cost effective to move the Town & Villages offices into one building, less expensive to move the library.

-There are safety & security issues for the Court also traffic and flow in the Tulley building and parking on Court night.

-Possible grants available for records retention, is the basement dry enough for records retention because the adjacent building is wet and has a sub pump.

-Structural integrity of the Tulley building is a concern – JoAnn Demarle from Bero Architecture stated the Tulley building is sound, some bricks need repaired and the building is better built than newer structures.

-The Village owns the Tulley building what will the lease be for the Town – That will have to be worked out with an attorney (\$1 year for 100 years)

-Municipality consolidation would mean sharing maintenance, utilities and supplies.

-The Town would like Bero Architecture to determine total cost for the Town Hall renovation and Tulley building – JoAnn stated that she could have it in 2 weeks.

Results of meeting

Both the Village and Town building committees will meet with Stu Brown about grants after Bero Architecture determines a total cost for the Town. A tentative joint meeting with Village of Bergen and the Town of Bergen was set for November 19, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

The meeting convened at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele M. Smith,
Bergen Town Clerk

