General Stannard House Committee Eighteenth Meeting January 6, 2015

In attendance: Kate Cadreact, Karen Brigham, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Treasurer's Report

Total income equals \$4,041.06 and the total expenses equal \$1,000.06 which makes our ending balance \$3,540.61.

Donations

It was agreed to publish a thank you listing of people who have donated to the General Stannard House. This could be an addition to *The General's News*. **Grants**

Tarrant Foundation was contacted via our mailing. They have responded with some questions on our monetary goals and our donations to date. Kate will respond to the queries.

Terry will approach the Lake Champlain Chamber of Commerce. He will be presenting to the Rotary Club on Thursday, January 8th.

Some grants can only be accessed via online applications. Terry will pull together a list of websites and will share it with the committee. Janet has volunteered to contact the Windham Foundation and Kate has volunteered to contact the McClure Foundation.

Members of the committee will be sent a standard report of information so that we are consistent with the information required for the grant applications.

Karen's New Title

From this day hence, Karen will be known as our Corresponding Secretary.

Gun Raffle

Ron Morgan has suggested 1000 raffle tickets for the gun raffle. He needs them by January 16th. He suggested a price of \$2.00 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$5.00. The gun will be displayed at several gun shows during the first half of the year. The final drawing will occur in May 2015 after Ron's final show. Bill will create the raffle ticket.

UVM Engineering Report

Representatives from the UVM Engineering Department toured the Stannard House on January $6^{\rm th}$.

Presentations of our project are to be shared with UVM students on Jan. 13th and 14th. These presentations will consist of a slide show. The entire presentation will only be 5 minutes in length. Bill will create the presentation.

The students' projects will include:

- 1. A plan to construct a new structure resembling the original.
- 2. Wastewater/ sewage options for the site
- 3. Overall site plan including parking

The students will visit the General Stannard House on either Wed. Jan. 21st or Fri. Jan. 23rd.

Jim Ballard's Article

The article on the General Stannard House is slated to be published in The Burlington Free Press in March 2015.

Site Plan

Bob Miller offered a proposed sketch plan of a lot.

Town can't act before the state approves the project. Jake suggests contacting state officials regarding state requirements for the lot. This includes proposed access to the property and the septic needs for the site. Bill will contact state officials regarding the existing curb cut. Is it valid?

Online Minutes

Bill has included a posting site on our webpage for our past meeting minutes. Charlie will send a collection of our committee minutes to Bill as PDF files so that they can be posted.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 20, 2015 at 6:00 pm at the Milton Historical Society's Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Nineteenth Meeting January 20, 2015

In attendance: Jim Ballard, Karen Brigham, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards & Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted

Treasurer's Report

Starting balance was \$3,540.61, with additional income of 248.60, and no expenses results in an ending balance of \$3,789.21 as of Jan. 20, 2015. Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Gun Raffle

Ron cleaned the gun and Kate says it looks beautiful. Tickets were printed and given to Ron. We also have additional tickets to sell. Some of these tickets may be sold at gatherings like the Sons of Union Vets meeting.

We will sell the tickets at the Milton Historical Society's Sugar on Snow party. We will get a photograph of the gun for our ticket sales.

Karen will write a blurb for the Milton Independent.

Grants/Fundraising

People's United Bank and Green Mountain Power sent letters stating that they are unable to provide funds at this time.

Database of donors will have an additional column to record corporations and individuals who have responded to our mailing.

Other columns could be added to include mailing dates and/or other pertinent data.

Bill suggested using Google Drive so that resources can be easily accessed by the committee members via the cloud. Different options will be reviewed but ultimately we want all our files united into one data file.

Pam sent out a number of grant applications (Pecor Foundation, Pizzagalli Foundation, Amy Tarrant Foundation, Rich Tarrant Foundation, Pomerleau Foundation and the Cindy Hoehl Foundation). The Rich Tarrant Foundation and the Pizzagalli Foundation requested more information.

Janet needs to write a letter of interest to the Windham Foundation.

Karen shared a letter from Peg Nicoles of Oliver Seeds. Terry continues to research potential corporate donors.

Free Press Article

Jim gave us an update on the Free Press article. The article will focus on the General Stannard House and will include some side articles on other Milton Civil War stories.

UVM Engineering Project

Presentation was well received. We are the only project with a historic preservation component out of 12 accepted engineering projects.

The presentation was well designed. It could be used as a stand-alone handout.

Five UVM students will visit the site on Friday, January 23rd .

Roger Hunt will help with the wastewater planning. He will share information with the students. Roger will also look into the possibility of having a sewage hookup and investigate if the cost would be prohibitive.

Bob Miller Conversation

Bob Miller received some site maps which he had not approved. He was rightfully upset. Bill spoke to Bob Miller and had a frank discussion on our vision of the building. The size of the lot will not allow for any large scale project. We need to simplify our vision. The lot will not be able to handle many parking spaces. We had a discussion on possible smaller projects.

Bob Miller generously offered a possible easement for a sewage system.

Select Board

Darren Adams will be approached by Bill. We need to see if the town is ready to take ownership.

Rotary Meeting

Terry reported that the presentation was well received. 35 people were in attendance. The importance of General Stannard needs to be conveyed to the public.

Terry was invited back to report on the committee's progress.

Next meeting will be held on February 3, 2015 at 6:00pm.

General Stannard House Committee Twentieth Meeting February 3, 2015

In Attendance: David Cadreact, Kate Cadreact, Jack Dugdale, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, John Gordon, Bill Kaigle, Bill Orr, Janet Richards & Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

Bill Orr

He has been a Civil War reenactor for thirty years. Bill O. gave us some additional historical information on the house and barn. He shared how the barn was moved.

Bill Orr offered a roomful of artifacts and museum display items. He also mentioned a friend who may have actual Gen. Stannard artifacts including a satchel with a nameplate. Bill Orr offered to speak to the owner about obtaining the satchel or borrowing the satchel for display purposes.

UVM Engineering

On Friday, January 23rd the students viewed the site. This was the initial site plan research.

Jack Dugdale from UVM reported that they are still gathering information. They are looking at geotechnical data for the proposed septic system. Eventually the students will need to return to the house for a more detailed examination of the building.

A road easement could solve the Route 7 entrance dilemma as opposed to asking for more land.

Aerial photographs were mentioned as a resource. Jack Dugdale and Bill Orr both offered to search for aerial photographs of the General Stannard house. These photographs could span from the 1940's to more current times. Photographs of the area prior to the construction of the interstate highway would be interesting.

Adams Meeting

Bill Kaigle met with Darrin Adams. March 16th will be the date we present to the selectboard. We will ask for a subdivision easement and the possibility of town ownership at that time. Hopefully we will have more details to share.

Grants & Fundraising

Kate has offered to handle the overall process of overseeing grant writing and fundraising.

Five Corners Antiques has a donation jar. Bill K. asked for potential locations for donation jars. We will gather jars and location ideas for our next meeting.

Civil War News

Ann Cousins has suggested contacting the *Civil War News*. This periodical is based in Tunbridge, VT. Terry has made contact.

The Civil War Trust may also have funding potential. Terry will research opportunities for soliciting funds from them.

March 28th will be the regional meeting of the Union Soldiers. There may be an opportunity to present to them. The gun raffle could be included.

The General's News will be issued in early March. Hopefully we will have more information on the curb, potential town ownership, and other issues.

Terry shared some additional research. He reported that the flanking maneuver was a spontaneous decision by Gen. Stannard. There was no mention of any official orders from superiors.

Road Sign Application

The Vermont Historical marker application will be submitted. Bill K. and Terry will measure the site and take photographs.

Next meeting will be held on February 17th at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-First Meeting February 17, 2015

In Attendance: Jack Dugdale, Charlie Farrell, John Gordon, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance: \$3,789.00

Income: \$10,030.00

Ending Balance: \$13,819.21

UVM Engineering Report

Jack has been doing some preliminary work on the septic system. Jack was curious if there was a pre-existing septic system. The committee was unable to answer the question.

Jack said that next week, his committee would meet with a historic preservation expert to ask questions about the building. A site visit could be possible. UVM has concerns about exposure to lead paint so the students' visitations may be limited.

Jack had found several aerial photographs of the property.

Gun Raffle

Michael Stannard sold gun raffle tickets in the Rutland county area. The tickets are selling well.

Bob Miller

Paul Bohne (town manager) and Jake want additional land. Bill has contacted Bob about the additional land and Bob is reluctant to give any more land. Paul Bohne is willing to negotiate between Bob Miller and VTrans about the land and the curb issues. Paul is currently on vacation.

March 16th Select Board Meeting

The board needs materials by March 11th in order for the Stannard house to be on the agenda. Bill and John will work on the materials. Jack will supply a

document based on UVM's work. The packet will be put together during the first week in March.

Windham Grant

Janet is working on this grant. She will complete it when the town's role becomes clearer.

Grants & Fundraising

Donation jars will be collected. When we have a good amount of jars we will brainstorm potential locations for them.

Civil War Times was contacted by Terry. He requested avenues of support and information.

Terry contacted the St. Albans Historical Society about a possible spring 2015 presentation.

Civil War News has been contacted. Terry is answering some of their questions about our project.

The General's News

The next edition will coincide with the March 16th Select Board Meeting. It will invite interested folks to the meeting to hear about our work.

John Gordon's Show & Tell

John shared a reproduction of an important historical document that his family once owned. It is a signed letter from Robert E. Lee requesting the terms for surrender.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 6:00 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Second Meeting March 3, 2015

In attendance: Charlie Farrell, John Gordon, Pamela Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards & Terry Richards

On-Site Visit

Terry and John were with the UVM Engineering team for 2.75 hours. Doug Porter, the historical preservation expert, led the team. They sampled wood from the building for identification. This will give them a sense of the durability of the wood.

The basement had a section of stonework that was inconsistent with the rest of the foundation. This could have been part of a cistern. The hardware and moldings are not original to the building. They have been dated to the 1890's so a renovation may have happened at the turn of the last century.

The team took many photographs.

They will probably require another sit visit.

Select Board Meeting

Bill and John will meet to organize the presentation materials. Some of the main points include:

- Our committee will be responsible for the renovation costs.
- We will ask the town to assume ownership.
- We will ask the town to maintain the land and property.
- We will supply some possible visions (future uses) of the building.
- Howard Coffin will be invited.
- Bob Miller would be a vital person to be at the meeting.

Other Presentations

March 28, 2015 at 9:30 The Sons of Union Soldiers will meet at the Stowe Town Hall.

No response from the St. Albans Historical Society as of yet.

November 23, 1988 Stannard House Report

Jack Dugdale located a report that was written on the General Stannard House. The report was dated November 23, 1988. It holds a wealth of information

including exterior and interior photographs of the barn as well as the Historical Sites and Structures survey, old newspaper articles and letters pertaining to the building.

Terry Richard's Report

He found a few articles on the genealogical and family history of General George Stannard from 1903.

Civil War News will include us in a listing of Civil War projects requiring funding. Fair Haven was settled by an uncle (Samuel Stannard) of Gen. George Stannard and the area has many Stannards still residing there.

Terry has two working presentations. One is based on our work on renovating the house and the other focuses on General George Stannard. Terry shared some of the opening comments. They sound great!

Next Meeting: Monday March 16, 2015 at the Milton Select Board Meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Third Meeting March 16, 2015

In Attendance: Jack Dugdale, Charlie Farrell, Pamela Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and a typo was corrected ("sit was corrected to read "site").

Minutes were accepted with the correction.

Treasurer's Report

Beginning balance of \$13,819.21 Income for period....\$60.00 Ending balance of \$13,879.21

UVM Engineering Preliminary Reporting

Jack shared a preliminary report on the condition of the house.

The initial wood resistance testing might not be as bad as first thought. It will really depend on the type of wood that was used.

The brickwork in the basement may not be structural in nature. It may be a façade to stop drafts.

The plaster and lathe may be original so it should be preserved. If access is required to the innards of the walls, it may be advisable to go through the outside walls (i.e. remove the exterior clapboards and wall planking).

Jack described some options for septic systems, parking facilities and general renovations to the building. All of these options will be covered in the final report.

Select Board Meeting

A new date has been set for the committee's presentation. It will be April 6, 2015. Howard Coffin will not be able to attend. Bill suggested getting a letter of support from Howard. Bob Miller is currently out of the country. When the players are in place Paul Bohne has agreed to negotiate in regards to the access issues.

Fundraising

Terry and Janet requested more gun raffle tickets and a poster for the Stowe meeting

Donation jars are being produced and will be placed at local businesses. Ace Hardware and the Georgia Market will be approached for sponsoring our jars.

Civil War News will have an article submitted by Terry. We didn't show up in the April edition.

General's News and Other Publications

Next edition of the *General's News* will go out very soon. A quarterly publication seems like a reasonable goal.

There may be a *Milton Independent* article published just before the Select Board meeting.

Jim's Burlington Free Press article has a deadline of either April 8th or April 28th. April 28th may work better since we may have some additional information from the Select Board's meeting on April 6th.

Presentations

Terry and Janet and any other available folks will be attending The Sons of Union Soldiers meeting to be held in Stowe on March 28th at 9:30.

The Order of the Eastern Star may host a presentation in May 2015.

Franklin Lodge #4 and the St. Albans Historical Society presentations are still pending.

Our next meeting is scheduled for March 31, 2015 at the Milton Historical Museum at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-fourth Meeting March 31, 2015

In attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, John Gordon, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

Stowe Meeting

Terry, Janet and John reported on the meeting of the Sons of Union Soldiers. Jim and Terry related some historical details on the Civil War in regards to enlistment policies and weaponry. \$50.00 in raffle tickets and a \$10.00 donation were collected. Two authors were in attendance at the meeting and one could donate a book for a future raffle.

Publicity

The General's News will be out this week. Text from Terry will have photographs added to it.

Milton Independent will probably have an article after the Select Board meeting.

Jim's Burlington Free Press article will meet the April 28th deadline, and will be published the week after. Jim's article will include a history of the house, a history of General Stannard and a history of the restoration efforts to save the house. Jim will send Bill a copy.

Terry has written two articles for the Milton Historical Society's annual newsletter. One is based on General Stannard and the other chronicles the work of our committee. 500 copies will be distributed by mail.

Events

Lake Champlain Access Television might be a resource.

On April 8th there will be a Farmers' Night at the State Capital. It is a program dedicated to Lincoln and the end of the Civil War. We are invited to participate or display. Folks might be able to attend.

On April 14th the 9th Regiment program will be held at the Milton Library. We could have a display and possibly George in attendance.

UVM Engineering Project

Terry, John and Bill attended the presentation of architectural alternatives. The third week in April will be the final class presentation. The UVM students may need one more site visit.

Select Board Meeting

The meeting is scheduled for April 6th. Bill, Kate and Terry will sit at the table to present and field questions. Everyone is invited to show support.

Grants and Fundraising

More raffle tickets were distributed.

Donation jars are still needed. Ace Hardware passed on sponsoring a jar. Milton Diner has a jar that Terry will maintain. Five Corners Antiques has a jar that Bill is responsible for. The Dam Store may be approached for a jar location. Other suggestions were made.

Terry's History Report

Terry related more Stannard history. Stannard was promoted after his predecessor was captured by Moseby. Stannard once owned the Foundry Restaurant in St. Albans.

Next meeting will be the historical presentation at the library on April 14th.

Next formal meeting will be on April 28th at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Fifth Meeting April 28, 2015

In Attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and amended to; "building that became the One Federal Building." in Terry's Report.

Treasurer's Report

Gun raffle ticket sales were \$227.00 for the period. Our balance as of April 27, 2015 was \$14,308.21.

Publicity/Events

On April 8th we did not attend the Farmers' Market in Montpelier, instead representatives went to the Chittenden County Historical Society meeting. There were several grant opportunities discussed that are connected to the Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership.

On April 26th folks attended a small ceremony in Burlington to commemorate the anniversary of the end of the Civil War. We had a table at the event. The organizer of the event (Mr. McKuhn?) was eager to assist with future events.

No mention of the Gen. Stannard house in the *Milton Independent*. Perhaps after the application has been accepted there will be an article.

General's News was sent out on April 3rd. The next edition will be sent out after the subdivision is approved.

Jim's article (with contributions from Terry and Bill) was shared with the committee. The article will be published on May 1st.

Terry's articles and Jim's articles will be published in the Milton Historical Society's annual newsletter in May.

Terry suggested that we make some initial communications with our proposed partners in the Civil War Heritage Trail. Terry will do some preliminary research on possible sites. Bill will contact Howard Coffin on the idea.

On April 14th there was a presentation on the 9th Regiment at the Milton Library. Committee members felt that it was a good presentation.

On May 19th Terry and Kate will present at an Eastern Star meeting.

On May 21st Terry, Kate, Bill, and Charlie will attend a St. Albans Historical Society meeting.

Town of Milton

The April 6th Milton Select Board meeting went very well. The Board voted to accept Bob Miller's generous donation.

Paul Bohn has made contact with Bob Miller. The access has to be decided before the subdivision application can be submitted. An easement is being sought for an access road. Bob Miller will have his architects draw up a plan. Then VTrans will have to agree to it. Once this is accomplished the application can be completed. Progress is being made!

Grants & Fundraising

We will bring gun raffle tickets to the Eastern Star and St. Albans Historical Society meetings. The annual newsletter could include an ad for fundraising.

We need more donation jars.

The Civil War News will have articles submitted by Terry pending his computer repairs.

Janet has been working on the Windham Grant. Bill will be sending her some additional information before it can be submitted.

The Vermont Humanities Council was suggested as a resource.

Terry talked about the donor list. We should update them and we still have some mailings to make.

UVM Engineering Project

On April 28th there will be Design Night at UVM. The UVM engineering students will present our project. The final presentation on the Stannard House will be held on May 6th from 9:00 to 10:00. Several folks from the committee will be in attendance.

Next meeting will be on May 12th at 6:00.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Sixth Meeting May 12, 2015

In Attendance: Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Liam McKone, Janet Richards, and Terry Richards

Minutes were read, added that Jim Ballard would attend the St. Albans presentation. Minutes accepted.

Publicity

On April 26th members attended an "End of the Civil War" ceremony which was lead by Liam McKone. The ceremony has a video link.

The May 1st article in the *Burlington Free Press* has garnered positive feedback. Ann Cousins responded to the article. Bill will try to reformat the article so that it can be utilized in our fund raising packets.

Kate and Jim may set up an oral history interview with Richard Gonyeau who has strong ties to the General Stannard House.

Order of the Eastern Star will host a meeting on May 19th. Terry and Kate will attend and present on the General Stannard House.

On May 21st a team from the committee will attend a St. Albans Historical Society meeting and will present.

The Milton Historical Society's newsletter will have two articles on the General Stannard House project.

Civil War Heritage Trail was discussed. Terry has done some preliminary research and has identified a number of potential sites related to the Civil War. This list includes historical sites in thirteen towns along the western side of Vermont. Bill will contact Howard Coffin about the whole idea.

Liam McKone will be meeting with the Cambridge Historical Society. He will offer our project as a potential speaking engagement. Liam is alos working on a potential Fenian history trail. He will pass on our project to some of his living history group connections.

The General's News will have an updated version in June.

The Milton Family Center will be having a public event on June 20th. We could have a table at the gathering from 9:00 to 2:00. Kate and Charlie have volunteered to represent the committee.

The July 4th parade was discussed. Do we want a float?

House Project

UVM engineering project had its final presentation on May 6th. The students working on the Stannard House did a great job. They gave a brief history of General Stannard and his house. They explained their findings and we will receive a full report.

Bob Miller developed an official sketch of the road easement, which is necessary for the subdivision. The easement will qualify for the VTrans requirements. The road width will allow for a parking lot for five automobiles. We need to get a letter of intent for the state. Bill, Paul Bohne, and Bob Miller are filling out the permit application.

The final plan will require a surveyor to formally measure the lot.

David Hartwell of AC Hawthorne has volunteered the roofing for the house. This company has done roofing jobs for many big commercial buildings. Discussion centered on the generous offers from both Aatek and AC Hawthorne. It was decided to go with AC Hawthorne since they are offering an all expense paid roof and offer Aatek other opportunities on the house project.

All contractors will be recognized at the end of the project. It is a legacy project.

Once the ownership issues have been resolved we will contact other potential contractors.

Clerk of the works or a project manager was discussed. David LaPlante of Aatek may be a possibility. Scott Newman could be another possibility.

Grants and Fundraising

Les Henry will host the Memorial Day ceremony. Gun raffle tickets may be sold then.

The major donor list is being tweaked. A letter to the major donors should be sent out soon, in the wake of the *Burlington Free Press* article.

Kate will check with Ron about gun raffle sales at the various gun shows. Terry will review the donor list database.

The town clerk's office has brochures for the Stannard House. The brochure's may be reviewed and edited.

Janet is working on the Windham Foundation Grant application.

Next meeting is scheduled for May 26, 2015 at the Milton Historical Society.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Seventh Meeting May 26, 2015

In Attendance: Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards, and Terry Richards

Minutes were read. A. C. Hathorne spelling was corrected. Minutes were accepted with the spelling correction.

Treasurer's Report

Stanley Knapp donated \$1000.00 and wrote a wonderful letter. The letter was shared with the committee. Ending balance for the period was \$15,373.19.

Publicity & Presentations

Burlington Free Press article will be republished in the Buyer's Digest in the May 27th edition.

Tom M. of the Colchester Historical Society wrote us a letter in response to the *Free Press* article.

Eastern Star presentation had twelve people in attendance. They had a lot of interest and a donation will be coming.

St. Albans Historical Society presentation had low attendance due to a funereal or wake of a member. The presentation was filmed for future release.

Milton Historical Society's newsletter will have two articles relating to the General Stannard House.

Terry drafted a Civil War Heritage Trail letter. This letter will be sent to potential sites on the proposed trail. The draft will be shared with Howard Coffin.

The Civil War News will cover the Stannard House in their Gettysburg special edition. This is a national publication and an additional 7,000 issues will be distributed at the Gettysburg Battlefield site.

The Milton Family Center's June 6th event has been postponed until October 2015.

House Projects

We are awaiting the final report from the UVM engineering students. A video of their presentation can be viewed on line.

The VTrans permit application and the subdivision are pending. Signatures are required to move the process along.

Terry and Bill met with a representative from A.C. Hathorne at the house. They require a stable platform before the roofing can be done. The chimney also needs to be stabilized.

Bill will try to contact Dave LaPlante from Aatek about the possibility of creating a stable roof platform.

Kate will contact a potential land surveyor about measuring the building lot.

Grants & Fundraising

Gun raffle tickets continue to sell. John Mayville purchased \$100.00 worth of tickets at the meeting. The winning ticket will be drawn on June 2, 2015.

The list of donors will be tweaked at the June 9th meeting.

Brochures are at the Town Clerk's office. Bill will periodically check to refill the supply.

VCF grant (small and inspiring grant) is due on June 1st. Janet will forward the Windham Grant information to Bill and he will reformat it into the VCF application.

Janet has applied for the Windham Grant.

The Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership has a grant source. This will be looked into.

Kate and Jim will conduct an oral history interview with Richard Gonyeau.

Kate will email August Cyr and Ms. Tubbs about being on our float for July 4th. Kate has a wagon and a truck fro the float.

Next meeting will be held on June 9, 2015 at the Milton Historical Society's Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-Eighth Meeting June 9, 2015

In Attendance: Bill Kaigle, Terry Richards, Janet Richards

Minutes were read and accepted with minor changes to *funeral* page 1 and *for* bottom of page 2.

Treasurer's Report:

Gun Raffle earned \$1,318.00 – Ralph Shepard from Vergennes was the raffle winner. Final Balance in account \$16,449.19

Publicity

Bill has set up a U-Tube account on which we can store our videos including UVM presentation and Liam Mc Kone's End of the Civil War Presentation. There will be a link from U-Tube to our website.

Newsletter was proofed for the MHS Business meeting.

Civil War History Trail – written by Terry- was discussed between Bill and Howard Coffin., who wants to give us more folks to contact. Mr. Coffin wants us to mail him a proposed package, or Terry's list as a starting point, in an email by June 12. Civil War Heritage Trail interested parties will be added to the email data base as a new group under Publicity.

Civil War News article may not generate interest in our project as expected. The article was taken from the BFP article rather than the ones that Terry submitted. We could put a small ad in the classifieds or just send small blurbs regularly to keep the info out there.

Terry will write an updated General Stannard News within a few weeks. Terry will contact Stanley Knapp to ask if we can publish the letter that he sent with his donation.

Kate and Jim did the Rick Gonyeau interview.

July 4th Parade – our committee will work with MHS and have one float with General Stannard House as theme.

Colchester Historical Society wants us to meet with their planning committee on March 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.

House Project

We have not gotten any information back from UVM professors.

VTrans's Letter of Intent has been signed by Bobby Miller.

Roger Dickinson – surveyor- will look into our project to decide if he can help us. We will wait to make further contact with Dave Laplante until the final application is in. Members are asked to think about other contractors who could help us with the roof stabilization.

Grants & Fundraising

Gun raffle was a success. Focus needs to be on the Civil War trail, mailings and grants. Terry will make a list of grants with possibilities. The Champlain Valley National Heritage Partnership and Dan Albright is one grant possibility. Dan saw the BFP article and wants a one page sequence of events. The VT Community Fund grant has been postponed to August 3.

We now have a PayPal account the ability to take credit card gifts.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 30, 2015 at 6:00 at the Milton Historical Society. Meeting adjourned at 7:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Richards

General Stannard House Committee Twenty-ninth Meeting July 21, 2015

In attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Pam Heald, Bill Kaigle,

Minutes were read and accepted with spelling corrections to You-tube and Albrecht.

Treasurer's Report

We received generous gifts from the Milton Historical Society and the Eastern Star. Our balance is currently \$19, 179.19

Publicity & Presentations

Newsletter articles were published. Members were pleased with the results. Heritage Trail letter was composed by Terry. Terry would like to get the information to the potential sites on the proposed Heritage Trail. It was decided that other organizations that may have an interest in the project should also be contacted. The committee reviewed the draft of the letter.

Jim suggested that representatives from the sites should be invited to a future planning session after the introductory letter has been sent.

Bill will send us a listing of the potential sites on the proposed trail.

It was decided that the letter would include a list of the proposed sites, The Burlington Free Press article on the Stannard House and our brochure.

Website Renewal

The committee agreed to renew our website.

House Projects

We received the UVM Engineering Project report.

Subdivision progress is being made. The sketch plan has been sent to Bob Miller for his signature. The project will be reviewed on August 27th at the Milton Town office. The necessary signatures will be collected and it will be warned.

Water and waste water issues were discussed. Bill suggested that we get some advice from Roger Dickinson on what system(s) would be best for our site. Frank Spaulding may be a resource for information on chemical toilets.

Deed work will be required. We are responsible for finding a lawyer to write a deed. Kate will seek a lawyer for this purpose.

Grants and Fundraising

We saw an uptick in donations because of the publicity from the July 4th parade float.

Charlie suggested selling recycled timber from our renovations as a fund raiser. Various grant opportunities were identified and assigned to people. Bill will tackle the VCF (Small and Inspiring grant), Kate will work on the Vermont Historic Preservation Grant, Bill and Terry will fill-in the CVNHP grant and Charlie will look into a LCBP grant.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 4, 2015 at 6:00 at the Milton Historical Society Museum.

Respectfully submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Thirtieth Meeting August 4, 2015

In Attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

Publicity & Presentations

Prior to the meeting, we collated materials and stuffed envelopes to be mailed to potential sites on the proposed Civil War Heritage Trail. Bill reviewed the list of potential sites with the committee.

The next edition of The General's News is slated for October 2015.

November 14th may have two opportunities for the committee. The Milton Crafts Fair and the Antiquarian Book Fair are scheduled for that day.

We agreed to renew our website.

House Projects

Terry reviewed the UVM Engineering Report.

Bill will be contacting contractors and consultants about the progress being made and potential timelines.

Grants & Fundraising

We had some discussion on selling pumpkins and/or gourds for a fundraising idea.

Bill will pull together the list of major donors and Terry will review the letter.

VCF was submitted by Bill on August 3rd.

We did not receive funding from the Windham Foundation Grant.

Charlie will work on the 2015 CVNHP Local Heritage Grant and will have a draft for the August 18th meeting.

Kate will apply for the Vermont Historic Preservation Grant.

Next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2015 at 6:00 at the Milton Museum.

Respectfully Submitted by, Charlie Farrell

General Stannard House Committee Thirty-first Meeting August 18, 2015

In Attendance: Kate Cadreact, Roger Dickinson, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards, & Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

House Projects

Roger Dickinson was present to ask questions and gave the committee sage advice on several issues. Once Milton gains ownership it will need a WW permit from the state. Initially (during the actual restoration) we may not need water and septic. Eventually it will be a necessity. Roger told us we could possibly place a small septic system within our lot. The soils are fairly good for sewage dispersal.

Roger gave us several other options to consider.

- 1. Town sewer...it would require an easement and the cost could be substantial due to the distance to the line.
- Incinerating or composting toilet...the initial cost would be estimated to be \$2,000. It would still require water for washing hands. This would be a gray water system. It would also require electricity.
- 3. Holding tank...a 1000 gallon tank could be pumped out periodically. The Town of Milton may already own a pumping system

We would also need a water source. A town water pipe exists on the other side of Route 7. Roger Hunt may be a resource for considering water source options. A water pipe could possibly be driven under Route 7 and connected with the house.

We asked Roger Dickinson a number of questions. A consideration with the holding tank option is that we should locate it under roadways or parking areas. The tank would have a vent and a manhole cover. Camp Precast may be a source for a tank.

We discussed handicap accessibility. A ramp would be required since it is a public building. We envision a ramp placed in the rear of the building where the existing garage is located.

Roger Dickinson has generously offered to survey the property.

Bill will contact our contractors with our status.

Publicity and Presentations

Civil War Heritage Trail mailings have been sent. We have had responses from Rokeby and St. Albans. Their responses were very positive.

Howard Coffin could meet on Monday, August 24th with members of the committee to discuss the Civil War Heritage Trail.

Terry compiled a list of weekly newspapers along the western corridor for our database.

Liam McKone has a Fenian Rebellion presentation on Sept. 2 at 11 am.

Janet will get us a table for the MFCC on October 4th. The Milton Activities Fair will be held 6-8 pm.

On November 14th we will have a table at the Milton Craft Fair. We will have a free raffle of Liam McKone's book.

Grants & Fundraising

The results of the Small and Inspiring Grant is pending.

Kate will work on the Vermont Historical Preservation Grant.

Charlie outlined the grant process for the 2015 CVNHP Local Heritage Grant. It is due by Friday, August $28^{\rm th}$.

History & Research

Terry will check for interest from UVM's, St. Michael's and Plattsburgh State's history departments in regards to our project.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Thirty-second Meeting September 1, 2015

In Attendance: Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards & Terry Richards

Minutes were read. Correction ..."we should locate it" should read "we should not locate it". The Milton Activities Fair will be held on September 8th.

Correspondence

\$50.00 was received from Colchester Historical Society.

Windham Foundation Grant letter was received. Janet may ask about future grant possibilities.

\$50.00 was received from the North Hero Historical Society.

Publicity and Presentations

The Civil War Heritage Trail mailing has received responses from Rokeby, St. Albans, Dan A., Scott Newman, and Jess Robinson (State Archeologist).

Bill will put together Heritage Trail packets for the weekly newspapers and the universities.

Howard Coffin met with some of the committee members on August 24th. Coffin suggested contacting Sen. Dick Mazza for possible funding opportunities and support. Emily Wadhams was suggested as another contact. She may be a grant resource. Kate will contact her.

Bill will contact local schools to inform them of Howard Coffin's offer to present to classrooms. Charlie may put in a request for the Grand Isle School.

Howard also suggested meeting with U.S. Senator Patrick Leahy and U.S. Representative Peter Welch about funding and support. Terry has agreed to make contact with their offices.

Civil War Trust will be contacted.

Howard Coffin suggested some video resources for future presentations.

Terry is planning to go to Liam McKone's Fenian Rebellion presentation on Sept. 2nd at 11:00am. Terry may possibly request a book for a future raffle.

Milton Activities Fair will be on September 8th from 6pm to 8pm.

Milton Family Center will have an event on October 4th from 9am to 3pm.

Milton Craft Fair be on November 14th 9am to 4pm at the Milton High School.

Janet will check with Barnes & Noble for a fundraising opportunity.

House Projects

The sketch subdivision was approved at the August 27th DRB meeting. We need to do some research at the Milton Town Office for Roger Dickinson.

Dan Triggs has agreed to do pro bono work on our deed.

Bill will contact our various contractors and will include a link to the Milton Independent's article to update our progress.

Grants & Fundraising

We reviewed the donor letter. Terry will edit the letter and share with the committee.

Kate will look into Tarrant Grants and Hoehl Grants.

VCF's Small and Inspiring Grant is still pending.

Bill will look into possible town funding opportunities.

Kate is currently working on the Vermont Historic Preservation grant. She may get some advice on the grant writing.

History & Research

The next General's News will coincide with the final meeting for the transfer of ownership.

SUNY-Plattsburgh has an internship program. Could we make a connection? UVM coursework includes historic preservation courses.

St. Michaels offers courses on the Civil War period.

Terry did some additional research on foundations and grant resources. He has generated a list.

Next committee meeting will be on September 15, 2015 at the Milton Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thirty-Third Meeting General Stannard House Renovation Project Committee September 15, 2015

Present: Roger Dickinson, Kate Cadreact, Bill Kaigle, Jim Ballard, Janet Richards, Terry Richards

Roger Dickinson displayed Site Plan and reveiwed the plat for the General Stannard House area. He suggested that we contact Dan Triggs so we can proceed with the work on the deed.

Kate will contact Emily Wadhams for more grant information.

Terry secured a signed copy of Liam McKone's book "Vermont's Irish Rebel" as a donation for a raffle.

The Activities Fair at MES got us a few more contacts. MFCC Open House is coming up October 3 and Bill will contact Bev as to some old-time games that we can do. Selfies with the General will be available.

Barnes and Noble Fundraiser are not done locally. Terry emailed the main office and has not heard back. Kate filled out an application for the Blue Bird BBQ Place for a Wednesday in April. Get your friends to come to dinner and our committee gets 10% of the proceeds.

Jim would like to investigate local (Milton) Civil War soldiers and will do more checking about the Stannard House History.

Bill contacted Dave LaPlante who has stepped back since we had the opportunity with Hawthorne and is too busy to work on the roof stabilization. Dave Hartwell at Hawthorne said to keep him posted. Bill will work on getting a stabilization contractor. Perhaps calling Hawthorne to see if they can be paid for that work needed prior to doing the free roof. He will talk to them, rather than email.

Kate suggested Steve Reynolds - Jim will contact him regarding prep work for roof. Bill will email Jim with info. on the needed prep work.

Bill will ask Town of Milton for a donation. He will go to Meet the Manager on Wednesday 6-7:30. Bill wants to tell her about the General Stannard House Project.

Terry will contact UVM, SUNY Plattsburg, and St. Micheals.

Treasurer's Report ending \$19,230.77

- Judy tome - FL till April

Bill got a letter and Info. sheets from Bob Miller regarding asbestos removal. Kate will read it and report to the committee.

Kate has written a VT Historic Preservation grant which was reviewed by the committee. Few suggestions were made.

Meeting ended 7:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janet Richards

General Stannard House Committee Thirty-Fourth Meeting September 29, 2015

In attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes were read and accepted.

Publicity and Fund Raising

Milton Family Community Center Open House will be on October 3rd. The weather sounds iffy. Janet will set up a place for Stannard House brochures. Kate will help from 10:00 to 12:00. Bev and August will be invited to wander through in period dress.

Barnes & Noble fundraisers are not arranged locally. Janet will follow up on contacting them.

Jim Ballard sent Bill a donation template from the Grange. Bill will submit a donation request at a later date.

Bill was unable to meet the new town manager. He will try to arrange a meeting soon and may ask for a donation from the town.

Building Stabilization

Jim contacted Steve Reynolds. Reynolds is booked solid through February. Jim will talk to another resource about stabilizing the roof or possibly putting in the access road.

Bill will talk to Dave Hartwell at Hawthorne about paying for the stabilization of the roof and then the roof replacement.

Heritage Trail

Katherine Brooks from the Cultural Heritage Tourism had created a tour guide of Civil War sites and responded by e-mail.

Contacts at Underhill

Green Mountain Civil War Roundtable could be a group to contact. Tom Chaney made a contact.

Terry's Report

Preliminary Budget form was developed by Terry for the General Stannard House Restoration Committee.

Next meeting will be October 13, 2015 at the Milton Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

General Stannard House Committee Thirty-Fifth Meeting October 13, 2015

In attendance: Jim Ballard, Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards, and Terry Richards

Minutes were accepted with a few spelling corrections.

Treasurer's Report

Oct. 1, 2015...\$19,230.77 Total income for October....\$424.00 Ending Balance...\$19,654.77

Building Stabilization

David Hartwell meeting focused on the roof stabilization. He had concerns about asbestos.

KD Associates, Inc. visited the site and tested for asbestos. Thirteen samples were taken and tested. All samples tested negative. Vermiculite insulation was observed in a small area of the kitchen but asbestos is not an issue.

Kate will ask the state about lead paint.

Jim will ask some folks about the possibility of stabilizing the roof and preparing it for the new roofing. Bill will ask David Hartwell since asbestos is not an issue. Bill may have some other contractors to approach.

Start to Finish will install a new tarp that was shredded.

Subdivision Update

Dan Triggs received the necessary documents but Bill hasn't heard back from him. Bill will contact Roger to find out what paperwork may be missing. Bill will forward the asbestos report to Roger.

Jacob Hemmerick may help with the last of the paperwork for the transfer of the property.

Jim Ballard

Jim shared the process of requesting funds from the Town of Milton. Jim will ask what the limit will be and Kate will type a letter of request.

Fundraising

Bluebird Tavern fundraiser was confirmed for April by Kate.

Janet is still trying to contact Barnes & Noble for a day of fundraising.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 27, 2015 at the Milton Historical Society Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,

Thirty- Sixth Meeting General Stannard House Renovation Committee November 10, 2015

Attendees: B. Kaigle, K. Cadreact, T. Richards, J. Richards

Minutes from previous meeting were read and accepted.

Bill and Terry met with Start to Finish on 11/10 at 4:30 and he wants to take on our project. They will do it for cost and they have experience with this type of project. Plan is to start at bottom, going up to square up the entire house.

Bill has been unable to connect with Dan Triggs, after leaving several messages and promises that his call will be returned. Committee suggested David Carter as another possible attorney to contact regarding our project.

Regarding asbestos – the state will need to know when we are removing the garage.

Regarding the lead issue – Kate will look into lead abatement. We will talk with Ed from Start to Finish. Perhaps Scott Newman from Preservation Trust will have some information for us.

Kate has set up the Blue Bird BBQ Community night for April6. We should send announcements to our mailing list, the gun donor and those involved with the raffle, and put it in the newsletter to be sent out in March. Kate has a vacation around that time but will prepare the list for advertising the community night.

Craft Fair Workers: Karen 9-11, Kate 11-1, Charlie 1-3, Terry & Janet 2:30-4:00. Janet and Terry will do set up and break down. Bill will provide a table. Forego the book raffle for a later date.

Meeting adjourned 7:00

General Stannard House Committee December 9,2015 Thirty-Seventh Meeting

Attendees: Kate Cadreact, Charlie Farrell, Bill Kaigle, Janet Richards and Terry Richards

Minutes from the November 10th meeting were read and accepted.

Fundraising

Collections from the Georgia Market and the Milton Crafts Fair were submitted.

We received \$35.00 from the Soldiers and Civil War Museum in Alburgh.

Waitsfield Champlain Telecom donated \$35.00.

The Milton Craft, Inc. donated \$500.00.

Lead Abatement

Kate will review the materials.

Transfer Issues

Matt Little and Jake Hemmerick met with Terry regarding the transfer of ownership. Matt Little wanted a time line.

The town requested the Certificate of Title. Matt Little will research what is required.

The removal of the garage is an issue. It may need to be removed sooner.

The State of Vermont may need to inspect the garage before it is razed.

Kate will contact the State Health Department. Bill will review his notes to see who else may need to be notified.

Start to Finish could raze the garage fairly quickly.

Communications

Terry will try to make contact with the local colleges.

Terry also agreed to contact the offices of our U.S. Legislators and the businesses in the Catamount Industrial Park.

Janet will continue her odyssey of trying to contact Barnes and Noble about fundraising.

Proposed Budget Sheet

Terry designed a budget sheet that could be used for grant writing. It includes a "Planned Budget" and an "Actual Budget". The sheet also contains "Income" with subcategories and "Expenses" with subcategories.

Construction costs are itemized and are based on the three phases of the project- stabilization, rehabilitation and repurposing.

Next meeting is scheduled for January 5, 2016 at the Milton Historical Museum.

Respectfully Submitted,