

Houston Barn Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
November 20, 2021  
Slusser Center

Present: Lee W., Pete H., Jason L., Don H., Louise C., Dave F.

Absent: Celina H.

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

September 17, 2021 meeting minutes were approved as written.

The November 17<sup>th</sup> meeting was postponed until today because we had not yet received the revised estimates from Milestone Engineering & Construction. (Frank)

On September 29, 2021 Frank sent the letter of agreement to provide the Houston Barn Committee and the Town of Hopkinton estimates for 4 options regarding the Houston Barn. It was signed by Neal and returned the same day. Frank will provide to the committee the first drafts by the end of September.

Don met with Frank to do another walk through of the Houston Barn to gather more information and pictures for the estimates that should be done shortly.

Frank submitted 4 estimates according to what the committee had asked him to do. First, the breakdown for the minimal amount of work needed to stabilize the barn, second estimate to add a fire suppression system and lightning rod, the third scenario if the barn was torn down and another similar type structure on the same footprint and lastly what the cost of a new wooden building to be located on the Houston property. After a preliminary look of the estimates, several committee members met with Frank a couple of times to make the requested adjustments then revise the estimates.

Once the revised estimates were reviewed the committee met to take another look at the barn stabilization plan to see what else could be removed to get it down to the bare bones work required to stabilize the barn from further deterioration and to correct the structural issues discovered through the Ladd Timber Framing report. The goal was to try to get the project under \$1,000,000 but still address the immediate needs.

Meeting adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Louise Carr