

**Meeting Minutes**  
**Danville Heritage Commission**  
**March 23, 2016**

**Present:** Regular Members: Carol Baird (Chair), Linda Roth (Vice Chair), Mary Ann DiStefano (Member)

**Also Present:** Laurie Crevatis (Clerk)

**Absent and Excused:** Judi Cogswell (Selectperson Representative), Aamber-Rose McIntyre (Member), Michele Boyd (Alternate)

The meeting was called to order by Carol Baird at 7:33 p.m. The meeting was televised.

Draft Minutes of March 9, 2016 Meeting

The draft minutes of the March 9, 2016 meeting were reviewed and changes made. Linda made a motion to accept the minutes as revised. Mary Ann seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**MAIL AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- A new issue of NH Town & City arrived. Per Carol it focuses mainly on the Right to Know Law and public sessions. She did not have time to see if there was anything relevant to the Heritage Commission.
- A letter from Digit Taylor, Executive Director at LCHIP, addressed to Carol Baird and the Heritage Commission. With it they enclose a check for \$200 as an incentive payment for carrying out the stewardship and monitoring for the Webster Stagecoach Stop project. They explain what incentive payments are based on. The amount varies each year. Also, they state that the 2016 Monitoring Report for the Stagecoach Stop is due no later than December 2016. Per Carol, this is the third one Heritage has received. Carol explained Heritage cannot take it into its budget and it is usually deposited into the Heritage Fund and can be used for the Stagecoach Stop or something else. Mary Ann made a motion we deposit the money from LCHIP into the Heritage Fund. Linda seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

**DISCUSSION AND STATUS UPDATES**

1. New Selectmen Member

Carol announced that the new Selectperson member for the Heritage Commission is Judi Cogswell. Carol explained that Judi has another board to cover for the Selectmen tonight and that is why she could not be here. Carol also said she is very active with the Recreation Committee. Carol asked for the board's permission to email Judi with the Heritage Commission's Procedures. Mary Ann made a motion to allow Carol to email Judy our procedures. Linda seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

2. Stagecoach Stop – Securing Sliding Door

The rolling track door (which is the only one you can lock from the outside) sways in the wind and water, leaves, and critters can get in. Carol did some research on how to resolve it and found a possibility on the internet using plumbing pipes. She printed it and showed it to all. It is a sliding bar and only requires eight screws to mount so it would not be so invasive to the building. Mary Ann suggested looking in the building for a metal piece to be used. Per Carol, members will need to go to the building in May to clean, etc. so they can look at that time. This will be added to the agenda for the end of April meeting.

### 3. Community Outreach

#### a. NH Humanities Speaker Program

At the last meeting it was discussed that members would narrow down their choice of speakers to six each. Some of the top choices for speakers were discussed and were about the following:

- Big House, Little House, Back Yard, Barn
- A Walk Back in Time
- Secrets of Cellar Holes
- Stone Walls
- 10 Hours Until Dawn
- Town Meetings in NH
- Music in My Pocket
- Daniel Webster Dartmouth College Case (that brought him into prominence per Mary Ann)
- Native Americans
- Anthropology & Archaeology
- Abanaki Indians
- NH History of Cemeteries and Gravestones
- One Room School Houses
- NH History Town by Town
- Native Indians in NH

A speaker must be arranged three months in advance. There was discussion that perhaps two speakers could be arranged each year and the focus this year will be on arranging for the speaker on the NH History of Cemeteries and Gravestones speaker with a Halloween hike on Tuckertown road to follow. This will be further discussed at the next meeting.

Mary Ann made a motion we allow Carol to communicate with Judi in regard to working with the recreation committee for the speaker/Halloween hike. Linda seconded the motion and it was unanimous.

#### b. Activity Info Booth/Old Home Day

Carol spoke to Chris Stafford, President of the Olde Meeting House Association and the Old Home Day Committee about possibly setting up a booth with Danville historic things as well as things for children. He said he would discuss the idea of Heritage helping with the committee and get back to us. Heritage may focus on letting children write with quill pens and craft ideas.

100 4. The Old Meeting House – Stewardship Plan  
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102 Carol started drafting the Stewardship plan. She also spoke to Chris, the President of the Olde  
103 Meeting House Association. Carol noted for the board that the Olde Meeting House  
104 Association has been in place since 1911 and oversees preservation management for the Old  
105 Meeting House. Carol explained the reason for the Stewardship Plan is so that everyone will  
106 know who is responsible for what and what their function is. Heritage offered to start drafting  
107 it and the Selectmen gave their permission, and they will be involved in the drafting as well.  
108 The Olde Meeting House Association holds its annual meeting in June and the goal is to get a  
109 draft to Chris for that meeting. The template Carol is working from was the one Annemarie  
110 Inman did for the Little Red Schoolhouse. Carol hopes to have her draft ready for the April 27  
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113 5. Caleb Chretien - April 13, 2016 Meeting  
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115 Carol reminded the board that Caleb Chretien will be coming to the April 13 meeting so we  
116 must know in advance if a member cannot make it. The agenda will be limited to Caleb and to  
117 the NH Communities Speaker, per Carol. Linda may not be available for the meeting on April  
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120 **ADJOURNMENT**  
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122 Linda moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Mary Ann seconded the motion and it  
123 passed unanimously.  
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126 **MINUTES PREPARED BY LAURIE J. CREVATIS, CLERK**  
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128 Amended/Approved on March 23, 2016 by majority vote of the Commission.  
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131 Next Meeting: Regular Meeting on March 23, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.  
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