Meeting Minutes Danville Heritage Commission September 9, 2015

Present: Regular Members: Carol Baird (Chair), Linda Roth (Vice Chair), Joshua Horns (Selectmen Member), Mary Ann DiStefano (Member), Michele Boyd (Alternate)

Also Present: Laurie Crevatis (Clerk)

Absent and Excused: Aamber-Rose McIntyre (Alternate)

The meeting was called to order by Carol Baird at 7:30 p.m. The meeting was televised. Carol appointed Michele a voting member for tonight's meeting for the unfilled full member seat.

Draft Minutes of August 26, 2015 Meeting

The draft minutes of the August 26, 2015 meeting were reviewed and changes made. Mary Ann made a motion to accept the minutes as amended. Linda seconded the motion. Joshua abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

Mail/Announcements

- Carol announced the Heritage Commission has the following openings: one full member three year term (expiring in 2018) and one alternate member three year term also expiring in 2018. If anyone is interested, please contact the Board of Selectmen or send a letter of interest to the Heritage Commission.
- A note was received from Bill Gard thanking the Heritage Commission members for their gift of gratitude to him for serving on the Commission for so many years.
- A new issue of *New Hampshire Town & City* was received. Carol noticed a couple of interesting articles, one on conservation easements and another on taking stock of community facility and infrastructure needs. She pointed out the latter may be helpful for the town hall in the future.

DISCUSSION

1. Review of Heritage Commission Procedures

Carol spoke to Janet about her procedure with the meeting minutes and Janet forwards the draft minutes to the town clerk and she thinks we should continue to do so. The NH statute states that the draft minutes must be available within five days.

Carol passed out a list of suggested changes to the procedures. They were reviewed and approved. Linda made a motion to adopt the changes and file the amended changes with the town clerk. Mary Ann seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The procedures are reviewed every three years.

2. New Town Website

Carol had notified the members by email that she placed information on the website for review. Everyone was happy with her work. Mary Ann suggested putting the purple lilac story on the website as well as Red School House pictures. Carol does not have information from the old

website unless it is on her computer. Photos to go with the articles can be added if found. Bill published articles relative to the Webster Stagecoach Stop & Store and Carol will get them for the website.

Other things to be added to the website include the Heritage Commission awards, the historic district ordinance, and a map of the historic district if one can be located. Josh offered looking into how to click on images to find out more about them, as Carol does not know how to do it. Carol will continue to work on the website. Linda made a motion to nominate Carol to be in charge of the website. Mary Ann seconded the motion. Carol abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

Per Carol the goal for each board in town is to put up three years of meeting minutes. Carol suggested the clerk be paid for her time. Mary Ann made a motion to pay Laurie Crevatis for her time for forwarding the minutes for the last three years. Linda seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Girl Scout stuff is lost, i.e. puzzles and stories they created being a child growing up in Danville. Carol emailed people involved with the Girl Scouts and has not heard from anyone as to whether they can retrieve the information. There was talk about finding another group to do it. Mary Ann suggested the fourth grade and Carol will contact Nikki Desantis with the board's permission to see if she can help.

Carol said some website departments are requesting a counter be put on their pages to see how many people are viewing it. The consensus of the members was to do it and Carol has the process and will do it.

3. Stagecoach Stop Brochure

Carol suggested each member take a section to draft in order to help Mary Ann. Everyone chose a section and will bring a draft to the next meeting for review. Aamber-Rose brought the postal history book to Carol's home. It starts with the mail in the Colonial times, there in information about the 1800s and stagecoach companies, and chart on postage rates. Aamber-Rose offered to write the postal section, Carol will write a section on Nathaniel Webster, Michele will write a section on the move, Linda will write a section on the store, and Mary Ann will write a section on the shop.

Carol suggested mentioning the trap door and center chimney as they are interesting features of the Stagecoach Stop.

4. <u>Date for Site Visit – Tuckertown Rangeway Walking Trail</u>

The agreed upon date is October 3, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.

5. <u>Date for LCHIP Inspection of Stagecoach Stop & Store</u>

The inspection report is due at the end of December and Carol usually does it. She asked if the members wanted to do an official inspection of the site. This will be done following the Tuckertown Rangeway site visit on October 3, 2015.

6. Red Schoolhouse – Status Update – State Listing Application

Per Carol, she still has not heard from the liaison at NHDHR regarding our application. The last communication was August 17 and the next meeting for them to approve it is in October. 7. Stagecoach Stop & Store Exhibits Linda checked on the laminating process for the information boards and found some DIY sheets that come in packages. Mary Ann has a laminator and the cost is \$9.99 for 100 sheets on Amazon. Another option per Carol is to print on foam board and Carol will look into it. Aamber-Rose had mentioned trying to get a proclamation of post master from the post office for Nathaniel Webster. Mary Ann said she spoke to Steven who said they do not have it going back that far and it can only be retrieved from family members. 8. Other Carol mentioned the man from Kentucky who had communicated with Heritage about finding his ancestors. Carol found some information and talked to June Keller about it, and June will communicate directly with him. He might find the person he descended from may be an actual Tuckertown survivor. **ADJOURNMENT** Linda moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m. Mary Ann seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. MINUTES PREPARED BY LAURIE J. CREVATIS, CLERK Amended/Approved on September 23, 2015 by majority vote of the Commission.

Next Meeting: Regular Meeting on September 23, 2015 at 7:30 p.m.

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