

**Heritage Commission
Danville, NH
Minutes of August 24, 2016 Meeting**

Members Present: Carol Baird (Chair), Mary Ann DiStefano (Vice Chair), Judi Cogswell (Selectperson Member), Marguerite Guilmette (Alternate Member)

Also Present: Laurie Crevatis (Clerk)

Absent & Excused: Linda Roth (Member), Aamber-Rose McIntyre (Member), Michele Boyd (Alternate)

Carol called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. The meeting was untelevised.

Carol appointed Marguerite a voting member in the absence of Linda Roth.

Draft Minutes of August 10, 2016

The draft minutes of the August 10, 2016 meeting were reviewed. Mary Ann made a motion to accept the minutes of August 10, 2016 as revised. Marguerite seconded the motion. Judi abstained. The motion passed unanimously.

Draft Non-Public Minutes of May 11, 2016, May 25, 2016, and June 8, 2016

Carol suggested postponing this until more members can be present.

Mail/Announcements

- An email was received from Jane Lydick Staid proposing a project of photographic images of the exterior and interior of some of the local historic buildings and sites. She mentioned perhaps selling some of the basic images initially taken at the upcoming craft fair, and a percentage of the sales would go to the Heritage Commission. Per Carol, whatever she donates would go into the Heritage Fund. Jane would need to talk to Betsy in order to get into the VIS buildings. There was discussion also about asking her about pricing for prints, canvas and notecards and Carol will respond to Jane with the consensus.

Discussion

1. Old Meeting House Stewardship Agreement

The Agreement is to be signed on Friday (time unknown – maybe 6:30?). Carol asked if someone would go to take pictures. Mary Ann volunteered to do it.

2. Old Home Day

Bill Gard will not be available so someone needs to be with Jan Danisevitz at the Old Meeting House. Linda will go but she may need to leave early. Carol did some cleaning at the

Stagecoach Stop and Store, took the donor board up, and put up some brochures. Carol, Margerite, and Mary Ann will go on Saturday or Sunday to do some cleaning.

3. October 29, 2016 Event

Carol drafted a letter to the Board of Selectmen seeking permission for this event and it was reviewed and agreed upon.

Carol had sent Stacy O'Connor from Recreation a list of questions which Stacy responded to and the list was gone over this evening. Carol had contacted the speaker about a microphone and he said his presentation would only be one hour, from 2-3 p.m. Carol had asked Stacy about costs and they are getting candy for the kids and Heritage and Recreation could split that cost or pre-make bags with candy and small trinkets. Stacy will contact a person at Timberlane for students who need community hours who could see if he can round up tour guides. Recreation and Heritage can dress in costume and help in handing out candy if they would like.

Carol also suggested coming up with some historical facts to be shared about Tuckertown Road along the spooky walk such as the site of the Sanborn Tavern at the end of the road. Lanterns can be made and held along the walk. Per Carol, we can remount some of the displays in the Old Meeting House as well as the two gray poster boards on the Parsonage Lands. Per Judi, a detail police officer has been arranged for crossing the street. There will be a chiminea for the children to roast marshmallows and refreshments at the Old Meeting House which Recreation is taking care of.

Per Judi, if it rains, possibly the event can be moved to the Community Center. Stacy will see if it is available. The Straffords were kind enough to run an extension cord from their house to the Old Meeting House in the past and may be willing to do it again. Carol will ask them. The Community Center has a screen. NH Humanities will advertise this event in their booklets and will use the description on our application. Carol read it and everyone was in agreement with it. Judi talked about setting up a group page on Facebook as it gets closer for the community page, and Carol will notify the Carriage Towne News. Judi will come back with input from the Recreation Committee. Heritage will meet with Stacy next month.

4. Meeting House Subdivision

There was a meeting among the attorney, Carol, Mr. Hatch, and Mr. Delory which lasted an hour. Mr. Delory brought a deed researcher/title examiner. There was no consensus. At the end nothing was resolved and nothing has been decided regarding the survey by the town on the town's land. The Planning Board meets August 25 at 7:30 and their clock has run. They had agreed upon an extension to tomorrow. There is no decision regarding an independent survey. Carol urged members to attend the Planning Board meeting tomorrow to see what happens. Asking for conditional approval may be their next step. Carol drafted a letter to the Planning Board which was approved tonight. Heritage has a different opinion as to where the triangle was. If they do take the town to court, they may argue that Heritage tried to delay so it is important to get our reasons for disagreement on record with the Planning Board.

If the Planning Board denies them tomorrow, they have 30 days to appeal to the Superior Court. Barry will put the Heritage Commission's letter (which everyone agreed to) on record at

99 the August 25 meeting. Mary Ann made a motion that Carol presents the letter tomorrow night
100 at the Planning Board meeting. Marguerite seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.
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102 **5. Terra Realty Trust Graveling Operation**

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104 Carol asked if anyone had questions about the issue. Carol clarified that the town did not
105 gravel the entire road in 1993, but only a section where a culvert was repaired or replaced.
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107 **6. Member Items**

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109 Judi will be away from September 17 through October 1, 2016.
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111 Adjournment

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113 Mary Ann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m. Marguerite seconded the motion
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118 **MINUTES PREPARED BY LAURIE J. CREVATIS**

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120 **Amended/Approved on September 28, 2016 by majority vote of the Commission.**

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123 **Next meeting: September 28, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.**
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