

Minutes of the Commission meeting held in the Davidson Room at the Church 01/12/2017

(Drafted 01/30/2017)

ATTENDED BY: Members - Alan Fall, Gale Morris, Bob Smart, Scott Cunningham, and Peg Scully **Alternates** ó Raymond Dahlstrom, ó**Absent: Member** -Bonnie Burroughs. **Alternates** - Phil Griffin, Lee Fritz and Maureen Elliott. **Select Board Rep** Ernie Day, Jr.

(NOTE ó Bad weather conditions with snow, rain and fog but everyone got home safe.)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:05 pm. and conducted by the Chairman, Alan Fall.

QUORUM: Requirement of 4 members present was met.

Alternate Dahlstrom was appointed to fill and vote for absent member during this meeting.

MINUTES OF THE 11/10/16 Meeting as recorded on draft dated 11/25/16 were approved after typo correction in the next to last line of page 1.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Roller Shed: Recently the Select Board stated that the Heritage Commission (HC) is responsible for management of this restoration project. The HC thought the Select Board had this responsibility. Since this discussion Alan Fall has acted for the HC, made several site inspections and met with the contractor, Michael Gaudette. Heavy snow and winter weather have slowed progress but work is being done.

Meeting Schedule for 2017: Approved as written. Noted that appointment term expires for four individuals. All of these individuals have agreed to serve a new appointment. Motion passed to have our secretary write the Select Board to ask for the new term appointments of these individuals. Individual applications may also be required.

Annual Report for 2016: Approved as written.

Signs for School House Locations: Alan has attempted to contact ___ of the location owners to explain the project and receive permission for installation of these signs. So far no responses. He will continue efforts to obtain responses. He will also provide the HC with list of locations he is working on. Goal is to place an order for the first five signs.

Why Did You Move to Freedom?: It was agreed that this is a "Report" the HC will participate in. Scott reported the recent Planning Board Master Plan survey included this question. He will obtain Responses for the HC to include in this project. Gale and Peg will ask Bonnie Elie if Community Club would be interested in having a program of discussion on this topic. Scott has agreed to be a participant if the club schedules such an event as part of a dinner meeting next year. Three or four other residents from different parts of town could be tapped for their stories as well. Gale and Peg will report back to Alan and the HC asap.

List of Historical Resources: Bob Smart presented the 3" thick binder of reports and related information he has gathered as a reference resource. This includes the six, official reports that resulted in the NH Division of Historical Resources granting this status to properties in Freedom. For now Bob will be responsible to care for this document and provide access to its contents.

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NEW BUSINESS:

History of the Present Elementary School Building: Gale reported that there is a proposed new project for the Freedom Elementary School students to research and record historical events in the establishment, construction, and use of the present school building on Loon Lake Road. The Heritage Commission is in favor of this project and will provide assistance upon request should the school community decide to go ahead with such a project.

Use of School House Hill and Associated Buildings: The HC may be asked some day to offer an opinion to the BOS on future use of Schoolhouse Hill buildings. The HC will have a meeting in the next few weeks for discussion. John Shipman provided information on the Article 10 & 26 committee he chaired several years ago to review this subject. .

PUBLIC INPUT:

John Shipman from the Freedom Historical Society thanked the Heritage Commission for their work in gaining State Historic status for six buildings in Freedom and having the documents available for future reference.

NEXT MEETING: 04/13/17, 6:00 pm in the Church Davidson Room.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:30 PM. (1.5 Hrs.)

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Robert H. Smart, Secretary/Treasurer