

Heritage Commission, Freedom, NH

Minutes of the Commission meeting held at The Library on 04/10/2014 (approved 06/12/14)

ATTENDED BY: Members - Alan Fall, Bob Smart, Bonnie Burroughs, Peg Scully Gale Morris, and Carol Foord. . Select Board Rep. ó Ernie Day, Jr. Alternates - Raymond Dahlstrom,

ABSENT: Alternate - Scott Cunningham and Lee Fritz

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY THE CHAIRPERSON at 6:00 pm.

QUORUM: Requirement of 4 members present was met.

ASSIGNMENT OF ALTERNATES: Not required.

MINUTES OF THE 01/09/14 Meeting as recorded on draft dated 01/09/14 were accepted as presented.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Motion approved by all to retain same officers as in 2013, Alan Chair, Carol Vice chair, Bob Sec. Tres.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Grant Sub-Committee: No action to report.

Inventory Sub-Committee:

Town Hall: Peg received call from Mary Kate that application will be reviewed by the state Registry at their 4/28 meeting and is expected to be approved. When approved proposal is to have a public recognition in the fall of 2014 that will include a bronze plaque for exterior of the building.

Village Store: Nothing new on work to place this building on the State Register of Historic Places.

Peg will review with Miranda next week.

Town Hall Plaque: Committee of Peg, Gale and Bob have researched, evaluated and selected a 15ö x 10ö bronze plaque from Southwell Co of San Antonio, TX. This is the same vendor that supplied the Schoolhouse Hill plaque in 2012. Cost will be \$562.50 with special mounting hardware. Cost of additional plaques ordered at the same time will be \$487.13. (NOTE: At the meeting wrong price information of \$409

was given). The plaque is a universal design for our town and can be used on all appropriate buildings. On an informal basis the Masons have been asked if they would be interested in funding the plaque for Town Hall. The informal response was what about a plaque for their building. Alan Fall will follow up with the Masons on their interest in purchasing one or more plaques. In addition, the Commission has received an offer from an anonymous source to fund the Town Hall plaque.

Inventory Reports: Alan has worked on adding information for Elm Street buildings. He has issued expanded reports for four buildings and a new report for the Hockmeyer Barn. Discussion followed on where information recorded by the Heritage Commission should be stored. Alan has been discussing with Linda Farinella the possibility of adding a section to the Town Web for this purpose. The Commission agreed that Alan should continue working with Linda on this possibility Use of the öCloudö technology was discussed.

OHW – Village Walk on 08/06/14. It was agreed that this could be a joint venture with the Historical Society. Carol Foord provided copies of a self-guided pamphlet prepared by Mrs. H. (Sally) Schenker for the Freedom Conservation Commission several years ago. The area was the Military Training Field for the 27th. NH Military Militia.

Commission Membership: There have been several discussions regarding the authorized number of positions on the commission. All records reviewed tonight indicate that there may be 7 members (including the Select Board Representative) plus 5 alternates. Presently the select board has appointed 8 members and 2 alternates. Alan will review with Karen Hatch.

Peg and Bob have been appointed as members for another three years. Lee Fritz has been appointed as an Alternate for a three-year term.

Planning Board Survey: Peg has talked with the Planning Board on including a "Historical Resources" chapter in the new document. Further discussion at our next meeting.

Chase House Project: Historical Society has a project to investigate and add information on home ownership for the last 50 years for locations on the "Chase Report". We concentrate on recording history from an earlier time. Possible projects are:

- Freedom Cemeteries
- Federal House

Samuel Judkins 1808 Farm: Gale read a portion of the report she has done on the history of her Elm Street home to illustrate how confusing some written history can be. She has reports of a 17-year-old Jenkins boy being a Major in the army. In fact he was a Drum Major.

NEW BUSINESS: none

NEXT MEETING: 06/12/2014, 6:00 pm in the Library.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:05 PM. (2.0 Hrs.)

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Robert H. Smart, Secretary/Treasurer