

Heritage Commission, Freedom, NH

Minutes of the Commission meeting held in the Davidson Room at the Church 01/08/2015

(approved 04/09/15)

ATTENDED BY: Members - Alan Fall, Bob Smart, Peg Scully, Gale Morris, and. Carol Foord **Alternates** - Scott Cunningham and Lee Fritz

ABSENT: Member ó Bonnie Burroughs **Alternate** - Raymond Dahlstrom, **Select Board Rep.** ó Ernie Day, Jr.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER at 6:00 pm. And conducted by the Chairman.

QUORUM: Requirement of 4 members present was met.

ASSIGNMENT OF ALTERNATES: Lee Fritz for Bonnie Burroughs

MINUTES OF THE 11/13/14 Meeting as recorded on draft dated 12/20/14 were accepted as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Town Hall and Town Office Plaques: At Bob Smart's home for the winter. Will be installed in the spring.

Masonic Lodge Plaque: Alan delivered to the lodge office.

Village Store: Sally De Luca, the college intern, met with Peg and provided a copy of her report to place this structure on the State Register of Historical Places. The report will be edited by the Heritage Commission and then sent to the State agency for review. Sally received an "A" for her report from Plymouth State professor Elizabeth Muzzey. Elizabeth is Director of the NH Div. of Historical Resources.

Year End Report: Revised draft dated 01/07/15 with the addition of one more statement by Alan was agreed to and will be sent to the Town Office early next week.

NEW BUSINESS

Terms Expire: Alan, Bonnie, and Ray indicated they will file for re-appointment to the Commission with present status. Carol will apply as an Alternate. Scott will be asked to re-classify as a member.

Town Office Building: Lee expressed a concern that the subject of a new building for Town Offices will result in a decision to move out of the present (old school house) building. When the subject comes up she would like to have the Commission support for continued use of the Town Offices at the current site with appropriate restorations and additions. This resulted in a lengthy discussion on the entire subject of planning for future town needs and direction. No formal action was voted on.

Financial Gift: This Commission has been awarded a \$500 gift from the Community Club with no requirement as to how the funds can be spent. Alan is coordinating with the Town Administrator and donor on establishing an account and receiving the funds.

Label sites of former School Houses: Scott suggested consideration be given to such a project.

NEXT MEETING: 04/09/2015, 6:00 pm in the Church Davidson Room.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:15 PM. (1.25 Hrs.)

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED: Robert H. Smart, Secretary/Treasurer