

## Heritage Commission, Freedom, NH

### Minutes of the Commission meeting held at The Library on 09/08/2011 (approved 11/10/11)

**ATTENDED BY:** Members - Alan Fall, Bob Smart, Gale Morris, Peg Scully, Alternate - Alice Spear and Gail Bizer. Public ó Richard Many **ABSENT:** Members - Carol Foord, and Bonnie Burroughs. Alternate ó Raymond Dahlstrom, Deborah Fauver, and Lee Fritz, Select Board Rep.- Scott Cunningham

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

**QUORUM:** Requirement of 4 members present was met.

**ASSIGNMENT OF ALTERNATES:** Alice Spear and Gail Bizer were assigned to cover for missing members.

**MINUTES OF THE 06/09/2011 Meeting** as recorded on draft dated 06/21/11 and corrected for double entry of word "operated" under SCHOOL DISTRICTS were accepted.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

#### **Inventory Sub-Committee:**

- **Report Binders:** Bob prepared and delivered a new binder to the Historical Society. He also edited the binders at the Library, Village Store and Town Office and replaced the cover and list of reports. Mail delivery addresses will be added to the index. Some Email addresses will be up-dated.
- **Place Freedom's School House Hill and Buildings on the State Registry of Neighborhood Historical Districts:** Preliminary work has been done on gathering of information and documents. Final application will be reviewed by the Select Board and then sent to the state agency. Goal is to have the application accepted in time for a formal presentation during the 2012 OHW Ice Cream Social.
- **Exterior Sign for School House Hill Historical Designation** ó Alan and Bob are investigating cost and source of an appropriate sign. The hope is for private funding.

**Community Club Presentation:** A preliminary outline has been written for a presentation 11/09/11 on the history of "Freedom's Bells". Bob and Alan are refining the details.

**Notification of Public Building Renovations:** Alan did talk with Scott Cunningham regarding the Heritage Commission being notified when buildings of historic interest are to be demolished or renovated. The concern is to avoid loss of historical records before action is taken. Bob presented the documents and photographic record he has assembled for renovation of the Mill Pond Fire Station and the Town Hall exterior entrances. Town Hall is done. He will continue recording the fire station. Alan will talk with Ed Boyer regarding availability of the photos he has taken at the Fire Station.

**Preservation Alliance Meeting:** G. Morris and Lee Fritz attended the June 28<sup>th</sup>. meeting where reports were provided on activities of various Heritage Commission and Historical Society organizations. Net finding is that our group is doing just fine and has accomplished more than many other commissions. G. Morris and Peg will talk with Ann Cunningham regarding appropriate listing of the Heritage Commission in the Master Plan.

**Meeting on Preservation Alliance Workshop:** Peg Scully, Lee Fritz, and John Shipman attended the 8/16 meeting in Moultonborough of the NH Preservation Alliance, It was titled, "Preserving Community Character" and winning strategies for blending old and new in communities. She purchased a PDF disk of the current manual and will share with Commission Members via the Internet.

**Grant Sub - Committee:** No activity to report.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No items to report.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None received.

**NEXT MEETINGS:** 11/10/2011; 6:00 pm in the Library

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

**RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:** Robert H. Smart, Secretary/Treasurer