FREEDOM HERITAGE COMMISSION Minutes June 15, 2023

Present: Alan Fall (Chair), Brandy Buttrick (Vice-Chair), Karrie Buttrick (Secretary), Mark McKinley (M), Scott Cunningham (M), Ernie Day (BOS Rep). Absent: Sue Hoople (M)

A quorum was established. The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm in the Town Hall. The minutes of April 13, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Ernie made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Brandy. All were in favor.

Unfinished Business:

Snow Roller Update: Brandy reported that on Tuesday, June 13th that he, along with four volunteers, met at the Snow Roller Shed. The Town provided a 30-yard dumpster for the clean-up. Scott Brooks stopped by and pointed out what items that would need to be picked up by the Town Garage. The shed was cleared, and the dumpster was full. There is now plenty of room to get the snow roller inside for renovation. Brandy thanked the Selectmen for supporting the clean out of the shed. Mark asked if there were any thoughts to a new floor in the shed, perhaps stone. Alan replied that since the building belongs to the Town that this would be a Selectman's decision but if there were to be new flooring, he recommends ½ inch crushed-stone to help level the floor. Alan said that this should be done first before bringing the snow roller in the shed. Alan reported that the logs were not good logs. Jason is going to keep them at his place and try and stress them in the opposite direction to see if they can cure in such a way to take the bow out. If not, new logs will need to be found. Alan also spoke about the current axle of the snow roller. We may need a new axle. Alan mentioned that soon we will disassemble the wheels and cut the old slates out.

Town Office Advisory Committee: Ernie mentioned that Denny Anderson is working with a company to help the committee get a cost estimate for a new single-story building that would be similar in square footage to the current Town Office Building, along with the cost of a well, septic and parking to go with the new building. The new building cost estimate would be a comparison to the cost estimate to refurbish the current Town Office Building. Karrie said the committee expects to have a public meeting in late August where both projects will be discussed.

Research Projects: Karrie mentioned that the Heritage Commission has documented several additional buildings in town that should be designated as state historical buildings. With the research already done, it is just a matter of submitting the application. She would like to work on this project. The idea was welcomed by all committee members. Karrie would also like to sign-up the Heritage Commission for membership to the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance. The commission has been a member of the Alliance in the past and the Alliance helps to provide guidance and training. Alan stated that Peg Scully took care of this in the past and we should continue with membership. Ernie said we should get with Stacy for the membership payment.

Other Business:

There was no additional business. Meeting adjourned at 6:23pm. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 6:00pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted, Karrie Buttrick, Secretary