Bolton Historical Commission

Meeting Minutes 10/2/13

Attending: M. Remington, A. Coggeshall, M. McKee, L. Engelmann

Absent: R. Busch

Prospective member: Jeannemarie Padovano

Guests: Pat Bensetler, 674 Main St.; Mary Ciummo, Public Ways Safety Committee

Meeting called to order at 6:05 pm

1. Minutes: Minutes for 4 and 18 September, 2013, were reviewed and approved.

2. Updates:

- Houghton Building RFP Nothing has been done yet. Martha will follow up with Don Lowe.
- NRHD plaques The Commission discussed the wording for the plaques. Several people have asked about having house dates on the plaques. For town buildings, Linda has prepared mock-ups of the plaques to present to the selectmen on 10 October. These were discussed in more detail. We may also include a plaque for the Old Town House Road leading from Golden Run to the Meeting House this is to be decided, depending on cost. There would then be six or seven plaques in total, paid for from the BHC budget. We prefer a simplified wording, but need to accommodate the wishes of the residents buying plaques. Jeannemarie will continue the preparation of mock-ups for town buildings.
- 3. Maintenance of Rte. 117 Mary Ciummo of the Public Ways Safety Committee came to discuss the impact of a proposed transfer of the maintenance of Main St. (Rte. 117) to the state. We discussed some of the pros and cons of the transfer. More information is needed. Major issues are:
- parking in the center of town (no parking allowed on state highways)
- snow clearing
- potential for widening through the center of town and effect on traffic
- financial effects transfer might free highway funds for use on other Bolton roads (Main St. absorbs all current roadway funds).
- 4. Building inspector several demolition applications may be coming, not all involving BHC jurisdiction.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm. Next scheduled meeting 11/6/13 (due to Town Meeting)

Respectfully submitted, Alice Coggeshall