

HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING

WEDNESDAY, 8 FEBRUARY 2012

Present: Marilou MacLean, Harriet Wilson, Dave Proctor, Patricia Golden,
Susan Raban

Marilou called the meeting to order at 7:12pm. Dave moved to approve the minutes of the January 18 meeting, with the correction that the last word in the first line of the third paragraph should be "as" not "and". Marilou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Patricia was officially named to be replacing Deb Manning for this meeting. Marilou distributed a revised roster showing Harriet as a full member and Patricia and Susan as alternates.

Marilou distributed copies of the recommendations pages of the Historic Structure report on the Town House, and went over each recommendation, identifying which items have been completed and discussing which remaining items should be rated as priority. Commission members agreed that the code violations identified should be corrected first; now that the notification of these violations is official, the town is liable for any incidents. Marilou pointed out that some issues may be "grandfathered" and not need correction until/unless major renovation is begun. Some items, such as the modification of the access ramp to the school house and the insulation of the attic scuttle, could be done with donated labor resulting in considerable savings. Marilou will prepare a list of priority items, in order, to be presented at the Election Coffee Hour on March 3, and at the Town Meeting on March 13. The list will identify work already completed.

Harriet reported that Paul Desmarais of TRAC will be forwarding her an out-dated brochure, which will serve as a basis for a 1 - 2 page summary of the proposed extension of the trail. She will also be in touch with Alyssa Hall of Wakefield Parks & Rec who has expressed interest in working on the project, and with Pam Judge of the Wakefield Heritage Commission. As things progress, it will also be necessary to talk with the railcar club and the snowmobile club to get their input and support.

The Valentine's Day breakfast will be held on Saturday, February 18, serving from 8:00 am to 10:00 am, and consisting of French toast, sausage, beverage, and

fruit. Cost will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children under 12. Information on TRAC will be available.

Members are asked to gather at 5:00 pm on Friday, February 17, to set up the Town House. Susan will serve as cashier during the breakfast; members should arrive by 7:30 am. (Marilou will be there earlier, as will the Shaffers.) Members volunteered to bring the following items:

Susan:	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal orange juice, sliced oranges
Harriet	$\frac{1}{2}$ gal orange juice, napkins
Dave	1 gal apple juice
Patricia	4 pounds butter, honey
Marilou	bread, turkey & pork sausages, maple syrup, cream
John Shaffer	eggs(?)

Patricia reported that she has had no response from the Historical Society concerning the use of the Town House on August 11; however, she recommends reserving the Town House for Old Home Day. She will try to reach someone by phone before the Historical Society schedule is printed. She recommends finding someone else for the antiques appraisal, as she has not been able to reach the person used by the Historical Society in the past. Dave will speak with Mr Caswell of Caswell's antiques in Union. We anticipate doing the appraisals from 12:00 to 3:30 pm.

Susan mentioned that the library is interested in any information about our community that they could include in their "new patron" bags, and suggested something about Old Home Day. Marilou displayed the new Heritage Commission nametags, which we can wear at the Breakfast. She also reported that she has not yet heard back from Carolyn Chase on the interviews.

The next meeting will be March 14, 2012, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Wilson