

**HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES
TOWN OF DEERFIELD**

February 15, 2011

Members present: Joe Sears, Sienna Larson, Deb Boisvert, Carol Levesque, Hony Hoague, Fran Menard
Jim Deely arrived at 7:30 pm.
Guests Present: Sara Larson

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

Approval of Minutes:

The December 14th 2010 Minutes were accepted as written by consensus.. It was noted the next meeting date had been incorrectly stated as February 19, 2011.

Financial Report:

The report was accepted as presented as of December 13, 2010:
Heritage Fund - \$2,572.93; Town Hall Accessibility Fund - \$7,588.82.

Communications, Correspondence and Miscellaneous

Fran provided copies of a letter received from the Deerfield Women's Club questioning the status of the project to install an elevator in the Town Hall and/or the funds which had been donated. A draft response was reviewed, and additional information was suggested to be included. The Secretary will provide members with final copies of the response.

Unfinished Business:

Deb brought up our previous discussion of providing a stipend to Mel Graykin to write articles similar to those which have appeared in The Communicator which we could publish in the Forum and on our Website, or perhaps in booklet form. This would go along with our mission of increasing the awareness and knowledge of Deerfield historical information and resources. All present agreed that Deb should pursue the matter with Mel.

Other Business:

Jim provided information regarding the Historic Agricultural Structures Advisory Committee working with Preservation Alliance in forming a Revolving Fund to help people to save agricultural structures, such as barns, corn cribs, mills, etc. He also reported that PBS recently presented a show on historic barns.

Joe Sears reminded those present that as our next meeting will be in April the slate of officers and new appointments should be provided for vote at that meeting.. After discussion, the slate proposed was as follows: Chair – Jim Deely, Vice Chair – Hony Hoague; Secretary/Finance – Fran Menard
Hony Hoague and Fran Menard agreed to re-appointment as their terms expire in 2011, but Joe Sears expressed the wish to step away from participation for a short period as he has been an active member for 20 years and needed a break All present expressed regret as well as appreciation and understanding , and will plan to provide some sort of celebratory refreshments for the April meeting. It was also noted that inviting Elsie Brown to this meeting would be in order.

The next Meeting Date was approved as scheduled for April 19, 2011

There being no further business, the meeting **Adjourned at 8:15 PM** by consensus.

Minutes submitted by
Fran Menard, Secretary/Finance
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