HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES TOWN OF DEERFIELD

October 15, 2013

Members present: , Hony Hoague, Nancy Brown, Fran Menard , Kelly Roberts

Guests Present: Jack Mettee, Lisa Wolford, Daniel Tripp

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hony Hoague at 7:00 pm at the Library. The Guests present were introduced and welcomed:

Dan Tripp had expressed interest in finding out more about the Heritage Commission, and Nancy Brown had requested that he be invited to attend our next meeting.

Jack Mettee and Lisa Wolford were present to discuss a Village District Zoning Ordinance the Planning Board is working on to present to the Town at the March, 2014 elections. Various organizations in town are being contacted to receive their input on how the Village concept can be reinforced, and to inform them about the project. The District would encompass Raymond Road from the Post Office up to the top of the hill by Lahrs,' and include the Historic District on Church Street. Of special interest to all concerned is a **Deerfield Center Charrette to be sponsored by the Planning Board at the Deerfield Town Hall, Saturday, October 26. Public Input will be from 8:30 – 9:30 am, with presentation of Deerfield Center Designs created by a professional design team at 3:30 pm.**

There was considerable discussion on many aspects of the Village Center concept, and what we would like to see in Deerfield Center in 20 years. All are encouraged to attend the Charette to learn more about the process and prospects. Jack and Lisa were thanked for their presentation which concluded at approximately 8:10 pm.

Review of Minutes:

The July 16th, 2013 Minutes were accepted as written.

Review of Financials:

Kelly Roberts presented the Financial Report as follows: (as of May 5, 2013) Heritage Fund - \$1839.29 Town Hall Accessibility Fund - \$7623.22 Heritage Commission Budget - \$300.00

Kelly also reported that the Town Treasurer has paid the quarterly Webmaster fee of \$100 to Mel Graykin.

New Business:

Mel Graykin had requested that members come up with suggestions for future Communicator articles She was unable to attend this meeting because a "Publishing Party" was being held concurrently upstairs at the Library to celebrate the publication of her new book.. Many ideas came up, including Stage Coach stops, stores in town, Dance Halls and social activities, haunted houses and ghost stories, cemeteries, anything historical. Any of those members unable to be present should contact Mel directly with suggestions they might have.

Other Business:

There was discussion of whether to hold the regular bi-monthly meeting in December or postpone until January. There was general agreement that if there was crucial business pending, a special meeting could be called by the Chair, and to schedule for January.

The final Humanities Council Program sponsored by the Ladies' Aid will be held at the Deerfield Community Church on Sunday, November 10th at 2:00 PM. All Heritage Commission members are encouraged to attend.

The next Meeting Date is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2014.

There being no further business, the meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Minutes submitted by Fran Menard, Secretary Heritage Commission Website: Deerfieldnh.org