

**HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES
TOWN OF DEERFIELD**

April 16, 2013

Members present: , Hony Hoague, Carol Levesque, Fran Menard

Guests Present: Mel Graykin

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Hony Hoague at 7:10 pm at the Library.
Nancy Brown and Jim Deely arrived at 7:15 pm.

Review of Minutes:

The January 15th, 2013 Minutes were accepted as written.

Review of Financials:

Hony Hoague presented the Financial Reported which had been emailed by Kelly Roberts, who was unable to attend the meeting, as follows:

Heritage Fund - \$2362.54 (as of March 4, 2013)

Less \$50.00 for invoice paid to the NH Humanities Council for payment of the program cost. (Date of check March 5, 2013) Less \$725.00 for invoice paid to Bruce Charest representing the 2nd half payment of the Moderators' desk restoration project. (Date of Check March 12, 2013) **Approximate ending balance = \$1,587.54**

Town Hall Accessibility Fund - \$7615.66 (as of March 4, 2013)

Heritage Commission Budget - \$600.00 (as of March 4, 2013) Less \$100 for invoice to Mel Graykin, 1st quarter 2013 payment for webmaster services for Heritage Commission website. (Date of check 3/12/13) **Ending balance \$500.00**

New Business:

Fran reported that Town Administrator Leslie Boswak wanted to know if the Heritage Commission would be interested in working towards obtaining more cultural/arts presentations at the Town Hall, e.g. plays, dinner theatre, concerts., etc. (like the Humanities Council presentations which have been scheduled this spring and summer). Mel mentioned contacting some of the local theatre groups (Strafford, Northwood) to see if they would be interested. It was mentioned that babysitting services were offered at some past events which improved attendance.

Other Business:

Fran reported that we need to update **membership appointments** as Hony and Fran's terms expire in April, 2013, and Sienna Larsen has resigned. Mel Graykin having graciously expressed interest in becoming a member to fill the vacancy, it was **Moved, Seconded and Unanimously Approved to request the Board of Selectmen appoint Hony Hoague, Fran Menard and Mel Graykin to 3 year terms to expire in 2016.**

There was also discussion of asking members to seek alternate members to join us.

The following Officers were appointed by unanimous vote:

Hony Hoague - Chair
Carol Levesque – Vice Chair
Kelly Roberts – Treasurer
Fran Menard - Secretary

Jim brought up the possibility of Preservation Alliance including Deerfield in one of its barn tour series. It was also acknowledged with appreciation that our web site transition has been completed, the new site hosted by Neatline Associates. Deb Boisvert has been paying our domain fees as a donation to the Heritage Commission. He also mentioned that Thomas Hupka, speaker for our Humanities Council presentation on July 21, will be taking a tour of Deerfield that Sunday morning to take photographs and view some of our connected farm buildings. Hony and Fran will plan to join the tour as well.

The next Meeting Date is scheduled for Tuesday, June 18, 2013.

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

Minutes submitted by
Fran Menard, Secretary

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