

FAIRHAVEN HISTORICAL COMMISSION MINUTES DECEMBER 3, 2014

Attending: Dave Despres, Wayne Oliveira, Cynthia McNaughten, Chris Richard, Vicki Paquette, Gary Lavolette. Bill Roth, Town Planner. Don Sayely, Stan Hicherson, Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Previous minutes read and accepted, motion by Mr. Richard/second Mr. Lavolette.

Academy Building: Mr. Richards reported that the upstairs platform for the Society Period Room display is being built. The window in the bathroom needs paint and repair.

Fire Museum: Mr. Oliveira reported that the Fire Museum project has not commenced yet. Mr. Despres is to call the contractor.

Fort Phoenix: Mr. Despres read the letter of thanks sent to Mr. Pike of the Scouts for his efforts in painting the cannons. Mr. Lavolette reported that the timer should be replaced for the area lights. The CPC proposal was discussed.

Old Stone School: the gutters have been cleaned and oiled. Mr. Richard reported that the floor immediately inside the front door needs attention.

Mr. Sayely and Mr. Hicherson from the Seventh Day Adventist Church, the owners of the Bates House, gave a presentation of the restoration work underway. There has been an Historical Survey done of the structure. The main house, which sits adjacent to the Town-owned 1678 Thomas Taber ruin, was built in 1742, with additions built circa 1840, and again in the 1860's and 70's. Among the ongoing work is sill replacement, fireplace restoration, and new siding. Mr. Roth joined the discussion and provided them with advice on future plans for the property.

The 2015 budget was discussed. A motion made by Mr. Oliveira/seconded by Mr. Lavolette was voted unanimously to request \$6,000 for the Academy, \$1,500 for the Fire Museum, \$2,000 for Ft. Phoenix, \$500 for the Commission, and \$750 for the Old Stone School.

The proposed Annual Report was read by Mr. Despres and approved on a motion by Mr. Richard/second Mr. Lavolette.

Next meeting Wed Jan 14th, 2015