

FRANCESTOWN HERITAGE COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting January 8, 2011

Present were Maureen vonRosenvinge, Frank Hanchett, Michele Feresnic, Mary Lindstrom and Barbara Caskie.

Minutes of the November Meeting were read and approved.

Maureen handed out a memo from Abigail Arnold sent to the Budget Committee. Maureen reported that she presented the Commission's budget for the upcoming year to the Budget Committee. The Committee asked if the Heritage Commission will cut its budget and it was agreed to cut \$500.

It was suggested to ask the Garden Club if they would be willing to do an article on disease resistant elms and if there are any photos available of some of the old elms that were in town.

Maureen reported that there was an 18% return on the Town Hall survey and 85-90% would be in favor of renovation. The Commission has received a donation of \$200 from Ken and Cecily Houston which will bring in \$500 in-kind donation.

Jim vonRosenvinge is setting up a web site in which people will be able to input information and ask questions.

There will be an article going forward indicating that The Commission is looking for bids for an engineering report for the Town Hall...

There is a preliminary report on the Forum from Dan Reidy.

Regarding CIP, Maureen told Sarah Pyle that we are not able to make a ten year projection of needs for future building preservation and that monies will need to be set aside for all the building in town.

Town Meeting is on March 12th and there will not be a meeting unless there is a money decision to be made.

There was not Town Hall Study Group meeting today.