

FRANCESTOWN HERITAGE COMMISSION
Minutes of Meeting May 14, 2011

Present were Maureen vonRosenvinge, Becky Meatty, Mary Lindstrom, Frank Hanchett, Diane Curran, Betsy Hardwick and Barbara Caskie.

Minutes of the April meeting were corrected and approved.

Maureen was contacted by the selectmen for an update of the Town Hall. They were told that a structural engineering report, including the furnace, will be available by July 1st. There was a discussion on the use of the Hall on a year round basis and the use of the second floor. Also, what would be a reasonable price for stewardship for Town Hall use by the public?

It was voted down by the Commission to obtain additional bids. Rick Monahan has quoted \$2,800 for a complete engineering report. Mike Petrovic quoted \$2,500 with a 1.1 add on charge. It was decided to go with Mike Petrovic with addendums to the contract. Any engineer must be preapproved by The National Trust.

The wording in the contract was discussed and addendums were added. These will include: A written report due by 6/20/11, a presentation to the Commission by 6/25/11, numbers of originals and copies of report with photos, a list of what is to be included in the inspection, engineering fee is included in the \$2,500, Commission approval of monies over a certain amount and a Certificate of Insurance. Also, a copy of the contract is to be sent to the Town's Attorney for approval. There will be a public meeting in late summer regarding the findings in the Engineering Survey.

It was agreed to let the Francestown News know about Commission's meeting dates.

The Cemetery Commission will not be able to do a joint program for Memorial Day this year but are hopeful to be able to do one in '12.

Any new activities that are planned should be checked out with the other Commissions in town, so as not to conflict with each other.