FRANCESTOWN HERITAGE COMMISSION Minutes of April 12, 2014 Meeting

Present: BJ Carbee, Barbara Caskie, Michele Ferencsik, Betsy Hardwick, Elly Miles Excused: Diane Curran, Maureen vonRosenvinge Others: Scott Carbee, Warren Kiblin, Mike Petrovick

Mike Petrovick attended the Commission meeting to preview his approach and presentation for the Commission's scheduled public meeting on May 6, 2014 at 7 PM in the Town Office Building, Lower Level. The meeting, in accordance with LCHIP requirements, is the first of two to ascertain and document public support for use of the Town Hall.

Mike emphasized that the project needs to be delivered on budget. He presented a triangle schematic of historic building, function, and budget. He said a historic building can be repurposed. He will have an extensive slideshow presentation encouraging new ways of looking at what is needed and what can be done.

Aside from mandatory requirements such as exits, restrooms and a lift, Mike stressed it is a great opportunity to consider designing for maximum function flexibility while still preserving the historic façade. Insofar as it is possible, it is important to create an energy efficient and self-sustaining building. There is a need to consider not only what current residents want but what type of building their children and grandchildren will be interested in using.

Mike also stated he has contacted Glen Dodge for a price to remove the posts.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for May 10, 2014 at 9 AM.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elly Miles