Francestown, NH Heritage Commission Meeting Oct. 8, 2016 9:00 AM

Attendees: Members:	Michele Ferencsik, Barbara Caskie, Lisa Stewart
	BJ Carbee, Elly Miles
Alternates:	
Excused:	Ruth Behrsing, Brad Howell
Others	Scott Carbee, Polly Freese, Warren Kiblin, Dennis Orsi

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM

1. Acceptance of Minutes for meeting from Sept 22nd, 2016. Barb motion to accept, Lisa second, all in favor.

Treasurer's Report: Lisa reviewed income and expenses. Heritage Fund balance as of 9/30/16 was \$108,032.82. Motion by Elly to accept Report, Barb seconded and all in favor. Reimbursement to Michele for Picnic face painting expense was approved. Michele will ask Jamie to reimburse Heritage Fund for paid grant writing invoice from unspent budgeted funds.

- 2. Old Business: Department heads are asked to present CIP request amount on November 15th and 16th to Planning Board. Scott and Dennis noted that fire suppression and ADA compliance are major expenses required since Maureen's budget was developed. They feel Town should fund ADA expense rather than including it in Heritage Commission fundraising. Town should have been responsible for funding the basic repairs all along. Lisa pointed out that Town officials across-the-board were responsible, not just BOS. There was always something that required immediate funding. Dennis and Scott will work up points supporting request to use Town Funds. Michele will ask for \$100,000 CIP funds for stewardship over the next 6 years. Polly said at the last meetings of the BOS and the Planning Board that the Town Hall was now listed as a priority. The Town Offices are to be made fully handicapped accessible as well. Michele asked that everyone come for the CIP presentation. Lisa said the Heritage Commission was responsible for stewardship of all historic buildings and artifacts, not just the Town Hall.
- 3. Fundraising: Michele said she and Brad will sign and send out the McIninch grant request on Tuesday. Lisa read a letter from Carol Brock describing the Halloween costume party fundraiser. Carol thanked the Commission for its support and asked for donations of chips, cookies, veggies. She also needs orange lights. Michele will bring a veggie tray. Barbara will look for orange lights.

- 4. New Business: The concrete step in front of the Town Hall is dangerous and in need of repair before the Halloween Dance. Michele will discuss it with Jamie and also check with OMH to see if the portable ramp is still available and if it could be borrowed.
- 5. Publicity: Press releases for the Halloween fundraiser are out to the local papers and sent out online by BJ. BJ said in all her time of sending online announcements Carol is the only person who has sent complete information. It saves her hours of time and is much appreciated.
- 6. Date for Next Regular Meeting November 12, 2016, 9:00 AM.
- 7. Adjourn: 10:20 AM