Francestown, NH Heritage Commission Meeting Jan 14, 2017 9:00 AM

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

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM

- 1. Acceptance of Minutes for meeting from Dec 10, 2016. BJ motion to accept, Barbara second, all in favor.
- 2. Old Business: Make sure if we do anything about Blanche Noir need to make sure we preserve the Halloween party and the week after for the kids to come to the town hall. Treasurer's report will be at another meeting as Lisa S is not here. Brad says we are roughly in the range of short 70000. Elly and Lisa S have been doing a great job on fund raising.
- 3. New Business: The Macmillin bid has increased. The Selectboard and Mike P went back to Macmillin and they checked with subcontractors and the cost went up about \$31,000. The \$70,000 amount includes the \$31,000 more. It's about a 3.2% increase. Might be some wiggle room with them. This bid has not been accepted. Scott C mentioned that the process is to get the bid so we have an idea of what we need to raise. Since the bid is a year old, 3.2% is not a large increase. The bid was held from Jan 7 to Jan 30, so in that year, the price went up. Brad is working on a letter to thank our larger donor. Should we have Macmillin come to a meeting to explain the bid a bit more. Want to still have a positive frame to the community. Need to have the town support at town meeting. Polly mentioned the community will understand the 3.2% increase, everything else does.

There is a \$125000 (from designated funds) warrant article for the Town Hall to be voted on at Town Meeting.

Younger Generations do not remember the use of the town hall and they don't necessary see the need to restore.

- 4. Upcoming dates for 2017:
- 5. Date for next Regular Meeting Feb 11, 2017 9:00 AM
- 6. Adjourn 9:32