Francestown, NH Heritage Commission Meeting Apr 8, 2017 9:00 AM

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

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- Acceptance of Minutes for meeting on March 4, 2017 with following change in Treasurer's Report: delete "Samuel P. Hunt Grant" and insert "Grant Writing Resources". Michele motion to accept, Barbara second, all in favor.
- Treasurer's Report: Lisa reviewed income and expenses. Heritage Fund balance as of 3/31/17 was \$189,125.44. Motion by BJ to accept report, Barb seconded and all in favor.

Old Business – none.

4. New Business:

- Items to sell: Friends will order new mugs. Michele showed sample coaster; probably too expensive but magnets might do well. Think of ideas for things to sell to discuss at next meeting.
- Deb Adams will help plan party for opening celebration.
- BOS has requested input on rules for use that will help protect the building.
- BJ suggested we start considering sources and means for acquiring new furnishings, particularly tables and chairs. We can't expect to have rentals with the current tables and chairs.
- BJ said Henry K. is representing selectmen with MacMillin. Polly suggested listening to Francestown TV for history on this appointment.
- Michele wants to sit in on meetings with MacMillin and will see Jamie about this. She also wants monthly or weekly narrative reports from owner's rep, Michael Bruss as to what he is doing and she will draft letter to BOS requesting this.
- Warren said Jamie had asked him to remove everything left in the Town Hall. Lisa said MacMillin had requested FS&G's papers but hasn't returned them signed so she believes contract has not yet been signed and no start date determined.

- John Thalhauser asked about the charter and mission statement for the Heritage Commission. Michele summarized the mission statement; said the Commission was assigned to do fundraising. Elly said she would send him copies of the warrant article and RSAs.
- Michele suggested we have a town-wide meeting for ideas on how to use the Town Hall. Polly said the SNHRC meeting on needs of seniors was mostly fact finding for the Council. Wanted to know what facilities were available. At the moment the Library is the hub. The Town Hall will be available some day. OMH is great for concerts. Real need is for a place to just meet, relax, have coffee and chat.
- Formal meeting adjourned and Commission members began work session and completed thank you notes for donations received during 2016-2017 fund drive.
- 5. Date for Next Regular Meeting May 13, 2017, 9:00 AM.
- 6. Adjourn: 11:45 AM