Francestown, NH Heritage Commission Meeting May 13, 2017 9:00 AM

Attendees: Members:	Michele Ferencsik, Barbara Caskie, Lisa Stewart, Ruth Behrsing, Brad Howell (left at 9:16)
Alternates:	BJ Carbee, Elly Miles
Excused:	
Others	Scott Carbee, Polly Freese, Cecily Houston, Lisa Bourbeau, Warren Kiblin

Meeting called to order at 9:00 AM

- Acceptance of Minutes. Barb made motion to accept minutes. All is favor. Michele noted that Brad has been very good and talks to her a couple of times a week to keep her (us) informed. We should feel good it is started.
- Treasurer's Report: Lisa reviewed income and expenses. We have \$189,814.33 cash on hand. Still have \$112,500 in receivable. Need to vote \$66.50 to pay for last mailing. Ruth make motion to accept, Barb second. All in favor. We have \$532 left in our budget.
- 3. Old Business none
- 4. New Business:
 - a. Brad's update: Going on site on Monday. 4:30 opening breaking ground ceremony for newspaper. For about 10 minutes. There will be ceremony shovels. Delay on start was due to working out contract details. Insurance issues had to be worked out. Ready to go forward. Two things removed from contract: One is final cleanup and other is the lawn for seeding. Removed these so would have cushion for things that come up. Looking for Heritage to raise the \$5000 needed to do cleanup at end. Builders Risk Insurance was already covered under our policy. So instead of paying \$10000 we paid \$2000. Brad signed contract. Is about 22 weeks, so if all goes well finished in mid-Oct. Final approvals by LCHIP are done. LCHIP will have meetings with selectman, Henry K will be our rep. We will have updates and opportunities to see what is happening. Brad will try to keep us informed. Brad thanks us for staying on the long road. Lisa S mentioned we need to continue to fundraise as we will need tables and chairs and things will come up. BJ asked if someone from LCHIP will be here on Monday. We do not know. Brad will call her on Monday or email her sooner. Scot asked if the plan that Michael P submitted will still include the vapor barrier. He was told it was included. Insulation between basement and first floor was removed and can be added in future. Things were cut due to costs. Scott wants to make sure there is insulation between basement and first floor. Polly asked if the septic is moved and it will stay. Trees to be removed are the two maples and two small trees behind building.

- b. Lisa S mentioned we are illegally sitting. Lisa S will resign from Heritage and stay as book keeper. We are sorry she is leaving. Lisa will submit letter to selectmen to resign. BJ will apply for the position that is now open. Michele may need to make request to keep Lisa S in the loop as she is not on the Heritage.
- c. Michele asked us to think about ways we can use the building.Ruth asked about old price list of fees to use town hall. The list exists and we need to update it. June's meeting can be redoing the form for how to use the town hall. Think about who needs to be there. Polly says there is some final report on the stewardship. UNH did a report from sheret(??) Michele will find for next meeting.
- d. Fundraising ideas: work on that next meeting so we can present them to the selectmen. Cecily asked about mugs. It's the 140th anniversary of town hall. What would you like on the back. Celebrating Community on back. Chocolate outside and light inside. Ruth will bring design for magnet. I can buy up to 50 if we can get good price. Try in sepia and adjust size of town hall to fit. Elly approached about an idea of a fund raising event. It's a horse race. Make lanes and move according to the throw of the die. You bet on your team. Elly will ask her to come in June. Elly thought we could do a lemonade stand from 11-1, involve a student for community service. Scott said the town owns the land at the old Meeting house, we could use that. Could use horse sheds. Keeps our profile out there. Cecily mentioned should keep the fundraising thermometer, Al van Cleaves made it. BJ says since we are in charge on Heritage of the town. And she mentioned the quilt that was made years ago and you took photos and someone else made a quilt out of them. This could be a fund raiser. Polly mentioned Augusta Dillon designed fabric of Francestown scenes. Michele has bolt of it. Cecilia says that the lap quilt idea was a good idea. Scott says Peterborough Basket might make a special basket. Michele and Cecilia and lisa will check out Peterborough basket.
- e. BJ asked about pieces from kitchen. The BOS had Sarah Pyle remove cabinets and Brooks Place is getting the safes. Michele called BOS and mentioned that we are the stewards and no-one should take anything. BOS apologized. Polly mentioned that rails from stairs are going to Beehive. LCHIP requires that all structure things need to be saved. Michele will remind Jamie about that.
- f. Scott mentioned that maybe we should have the kitchen area be looked at by Rick Connor to make sure it would be a possible kitchen setup. Polly mentioned that the wiring will be in the kitchen area. But only a microwave and toaster oven. Need to make sure the plumbing is there and need split pipes. Michele will check about pipes and waste pipes should be there.
- g. Cecily asked about Sarah Pyle cabinets, they are for the BeeHive. They can't go back in town hall because they are wood.
- h. Michele mentioned we should feel free to do pop-in visits at town hall.
- i. Lisa S asked if we should update our bylaws, maybe July meeting.
- 5. Date for Next Regular Meeting June 10, 2017, 9:00 AM.
- 6. Adjourn: 10:04