

HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC)
TOWN OF HOOKSETT

MINUTES OF MEETING
July 8, 2008

Members present: Kathleen Northrup, James Walter, Carolyn Schroeder, David Boutin.
Excused: David Bernard, Sally Humphries. Absent: Paul Loiselle.

Meeting called to order at 6 p.m. at Martin's Cemetery.

Jim moved acceptance of minutes of June 7, 2008; D. Boutin seconded. Minutes approved.

Review Assignments

Kathie sent in registration for OHD. Carolyn obtained and turned over CD on Barns Project for our files. On other assignments, no progress to report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Head School

The contract for the exterior work has been signed and the deposit sent, but we do not yet have a start date.

NEW ITEMS:

Elect Chair for this fiscal year: Jim nominated Kathie, David B. and Carolyn seconded. Unanimously elected Kathie chair.

Kathie distributed excerpt from NH Preservation Alliance News, Summer 2008, "Basic Tools for Protecting Historic Assets." She called attention to the section about a Resources Survey. Will discuss next month assignments for our survey which were chosen in March 07.

The members discussed ideas on the possible re-use of the town hall building. Kathie distributed an abstract of the original deed. The group unanimously favored the formation of a Re-Use Committee to obtain public input and consider options with the hope of some revenue-producing possibility. All felt the building should remain town owned and include some town use to honor the spirit of the original gift.

Discussed the feasibility of consolidating the Heritage Commission and the Historical Society. Members wish to keep the two entities separate.

Discussed some form of correspondence regarding maintenance of the town cemeteries, fencing, other ornamental fixtures, etc. Copies of the RSA and local regulations will be sent to members. We will try to visit other locations this summer.

ASSIGNMENTS

1. All - continuing research on assigned historic sites
2. D. Boutin, CLG
3. Kathie, price DVD/VHS machine
4. Jim, stone wall project

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. Carolyn, David and Kathie then toured the cemetery.

Kathleen Northrup
Chair
July 8, 2008

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 12, 2008, 6:45 p.m., at the Library