

HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC)  
TOWN OF HOOKSETT

MINUTES OF MEETING  
February 24, 2009

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

Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. at the library.

Jim moved acceptance of the minutes of 11/25/08; D. Bernard seconded. Minutes approved. Minutes of 1/27/09 deferred; members present tonight were not at that meeting.

**NEW ITEMS:**

1. The St. Pierre variance has been granted.
2. The two books on researching old homes were presented to the library today.
3. Kathie presented information received from a preservation consultant on the cost of preparing an application to list the Arah Prescott to the National Register. Jim moved not to pursue the application, D. Bernard seconded, Kathie agreed. Because of the cost, we unanimously voted not pursue listing.
4. D. Bernard and Kathie met with a Manchester, Sand & Gravel rep; a private consultant; and a rep from DES/River Restoration Coordinator's Office on 2/12/09 about the proposed work at Head's Dam. Kathie presented a letter to Department of Historical Resources for approval. All agreed it was ok to send.
5. Kathie received another inquiry from potential buyer about purchase of the Robie homestead. She sent info and old photos but unfortunately the deal fell through.
6. Kathie has been invited by the NH Preservation Alliance to be a panel member at session on Heritage Commissions at the Office of Energy & Planning Conference on May 2.
7. Kathie reported that she was asked by the town planner to serve on the Village Center Committee.
8. Kathie recommended ordering 30 more afghans—10 more of each color. Jim moved to approve the expenditure, D. Bernard seconded. Unanimously passed.

### **Review Assignments:**

1. Jim reviewed the provisions of the Right to Know information
2. Sally, framed prints from Head's. Deferred, Sally not present.
3. Carolyn, Jim, D.Bernard, review Code of Ethics and submit affidavit. Carolyn excused; another copy will be emailed to Jim and D.Bernard.
4. Kathie, prepare thank you gift for MS&G. Will be delivered this week.
5. Carolyn, D. Boutin, Sally, research for Conservation Comm re Garos sites (see minutes 9/23/08). No members assigned to the project were present. Deferred.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

#### Head School

Kathie met with the Friends of Head School, a group of present and retired teachers, on 2/3/09. Sue Fineman from Nashua will be invited to the next meeting.

Kathie and D.Bernard started working on getting bids for interior work. They will meet with two people this week.

#### Cemeteries

Cemetery Commission appeared before the council on 2/18/09.

#### Oral History Project

As a result of the article in the Banner, 6 local volunteers are working on transcription.

When the audio file is available, Jim will try his hand at transcribing the interview he conducted with S. Bear.

#### Demolition Ordinance

As D.Boutin was absent, there was no discussion on the proposal.

#### Library Scrapbook Scanning Project

There was a delay setting up the scanner at the library, so the project will not start until the 1<sup>st</sup> week in March.

## Other

Kathie asked members to consider goals (individual and commission) for the upcoming year.

D.Bernard will work with Kathie on the interior project at Head's.

Jim advises he will complete the stone wall inventory project.

## ASSIGNMENTS

1. Kathie, order more afghans
2. Sally, framed prints from Head's
3. Carolyn, Jim, D.Bernard, review Code of Ethics and submit affidavit
4. D.Boutin, Demolition Ordinance
5. Carolyn, D. Boutin, Sally, research for Conservation Comm re Garos sites (see minutes 9/23/08)

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Kathleen Northrup  
Chair  
February 28, 2009

**Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 24, 2009, 6:45 p.m., Library**