

HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC)
TOWN OF HOOKSETT



MINUTES OF MEETING
July 26, 2011

Members present: Kathleen Northrup, Roxanne Kate, Sally Humphries. Excused: Jim Sullivan, council rep. Also present: soon-to-be member, Peggy Teravainen.

Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. at Deerhead Sportsmen's Club, formerly Martin's Corner School.

Roxanne moved acceptance of 6/28/11 meeting minutes; Sally seconded. Unanimously approved.

NEW ITEMS:

1. Roxanne reported on receipts from outlets and Farmers' Market
2. Kathie presented expense voucher for expenses October 2010 thru June 30, 2011. Sally moved to reimburse the expenses; Roxanne seconded. Unanimously approved.
3. Kathie got the following inquiries last month:
 - a. Poor house, picture, any history
 - b. From a potential buyer for home in the village, any history
 - c. Another home in the north end, pictures, any history
 - d. Garage, et al, in Lincoln Park
4. Gary Lee resigned 7/13
5. Our council rep for the coming year is Jim Sullivan
6. Conservation Commission requested information on historic sites on potential property purchase. Kathie will work on providing the info.
7. Kathie has submitted covers and inside narrative re the Pinnacle for the Town Report
8. Chair for this year: Sally nominated Kathie, Roxanne seconded. Unanimously approved.

Review Assignments:

1. Kathie - mural. Kathie reported she found some interesting info about the mural. It was done by an artist of some renown. She is trying to gather more info about the artist and the mural.
2. Kathie - reinstall building plaque at municipal building. Should be done this week.

OLD BUSINESS:

Head School

We need a volunteer to draft rules for use of the facility.

Decided not to replace the lock on the front door; it would cost \$200 plus and perhaps not be as secure. Dave B., now a HC volunteer, is looking for a more attractive hasp.

Scenic Road Designation

On July 25 Kathie met with J. Duffy and L. Lessard, DPW director. Toured Goffstown Road, the potential Scenic Road, as there is some road work is going on. Kathie will get back to the project and keep Lessard informed.

NH History Week

With the agreement of other members, Kathie has booked a “Native American History of NH” program for Monday, Oct 17, to be held at Phoenix Business Computing (formerly Lincoln Park School), 10 Brace Ave, 6:30 p.m. It will run about an hour and a half and will include specific Hooksett and Pinnacle info. The speaker will be cosponsored by the NH Humanities Council. They pay \$200 plus mileage, but we pay an application fee. Sally moved to expend the \$35 fee to NHHHC, Roxanne seconded. Unanimously approved.

The HHS, Robie’s, Head Society, and Library will also be participating. Scheduled so far:

- Oct 4, library, John Clayton (will be a good intro for History Week later in the month) about his new book *New Hampshire: War and Peace* at the library
- Oct 17, Heritage Comm, Native American History, Lincoln Park School
- Oct 19, Robie's, NH Primary History, at Robie's
- Oct 20, HHS, A Night at the Prescott Museum, at the Prescott building

The HHS is also planning something for Saturday, Oct 22. On Thurs, Oct 27, they and the library will cosponsor a program on the Civil War (it’s the 150th anniversary year) at the library as part of the regular HHS meeting.

Pinnacle Project

The next meeting is this Thursday. There has been trouble with people entering through Ardon Drive so M. Horne sought permission to put up some signs. There is no access from Ardon Drive as one must pass over private property to access the trail. Access is only through Pinnacle Street.

Demo Review

The three members of the new DRC are Kathie, Roxanne, and Sally. (One DRC member left the HC at the end of his term in June)

Peggy will review the potential demo list.

Discussed the issue of “unknown” in the Year Built section of the demo permit. Kathie will try to get information from other towns on how this is handled. We all felt that it would be helpful to us as volunteers to have at least an approximate date.

We continue to appreciate as much advance notice as possible, but we did decide as a policy that no opinion will be issued until the permit application is in hand.

Kathie sent a copy of our criteria to Planning per their request. Building got a copy, and it is posted on the website.

Rules and Regulations

Discussed Sally's new draft. A revision was distributed. Some suggestions were made and a couple of items questioned needing further clarification.

State Register

The Pinnacle was approved for listing on 7/26/11 by Historical Resources Council. Kathie will do appropriate press release.

Old Town Hall Update

Need a rep for the committee. The status of the committee is on the council agenda for this Wednesday, 7/27.

Other

Kathie had requested that members be prepared to discuss goals for the upcoming year-individual and commission.

Roxanne - For the Commission: start planning for rewrite of updated history book

Kathie - Individual: at least one new marker, possible listing of Village School on State Register, Scenic Roads decision, get a start on final edit of oral history transcripts, look at consolidated history book. For the Commission: make some progress on the historic resources inventory.

Sally - deferred to next meeting

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Kathie, info for Conservation Commission
2. Kathie, reinstall building plaque
3. Kathie, research on mural, reinstall
4. Kathie, demo information on permit applications
5. Peggy, review potential demo list
6. Sally, redraft of rules, goals

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Kathleen Northrup, Chair
July 31, 2011

Next meeting Tuesday, August 23, 2011 - 6:45 p.m., Deerhead Sportsmen's Club