

HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC)
TOWN OF HOOKSETT



MINUTES OF MEETING
April 24, 2012

Members present: Kathie Northrup, Roxanne Kate, Jim Sullivan, Dave Rogers, Peggy Teravainen.

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

Jim moved acceptance of the 3/27/12 minutes; Roxanne seconded. Unanimously approved.

PUBLIC INPUT:

During the meeting, Alden Beauchemin, Keyland Enterprises, West River Road, stopped by to update the commission on the progress of the plans for the winery on the Heffron property on Hackett Hill Road. The existing barn (built in the early 1800s) will be incorporated into the plans.

COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND MISCELLANEOUS:

1. Kathie reported on ornament sales in March.
2. Kathie was contacted by a student volunteer wanting to donate about 20 hours before the end of June. Discussed “remote” projects—the review of scanned photos or time for the HHS reviewing the accessioning software and doing some instructions. Kathie will see which the volunteer prefers.

Review Assignments:

All are included in old business items.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. NH History Week/Month. History Week will be declared again this year. Kathie passed out a description of Steve Taylor’s new offering--NH’s One-Room Rural Schools: The Romance and the Reality. Discussed having him do the lecture at Head’s in October as our contribution to history week. Roxanne moved to expend \$50 for the application fee; Jim seconded. Kathie will contact Mr. Taylor hoping for a Monday night booking early in the month.

OLD BUSINESS:

Heritage Day, Sunday May 20

Council will entertain our request for proclamation on 4/25/12.

Our plans: At Head’s, noon to 4 p.m., Roxanne, Kathie, Dave, and possibly one other volunteer for coverage. The cemetery tour with G. Knoblock will be at 2 p.m., about one hour.

The schoolmarms will be there also.

Discussed refreshments. Roxanne will monitor the weather, and we’ll decide about a week ahead of time what we might offer. Possibly juice/water and snack mix. Food and drink are not allowed in the school building. HC table is at Head’s as is our canopy.

We will sell ornaments, note cards, and Hardy books.

Kathie will do an e-vite for members to pass along to their email contacts.

Preliminary press release re signing of the proclamation and a brief schedule of events was sent to Banner. There was also an article with similar content in yesterday's Union Leader.

Scenic Road

The donation for purchase of signs was accepted at last council meeting. The signs were put up 4/23/12.

Indian Murals

Kathie has completed the grant application; she will hand deliver it to NH Council on the Arts on 4/26/12. There will be a decision "within ten weeks."

Hooksett History Book Update

Reviewed the draft press release Roxanne had sent to members. Jim had suggested follow up articles with some important events from each of the decades; hopefully this would get people thinking. Roxanne will submit the press release.

Veterans' Monument

Finally--a date for the softball game: Friday, June 22, 5:30 p.m. open concessions, 6 p.m. game. Donati field. Food, cooking, and other things to be donated. FD contact will be doing email soon inviting employees to sign up.

Legion dinner/dance Saturday, Oct 6.

Roxanne updated us on efforts to set up a dance class of some kind. Nothing solid yet.

Jim outlined his plans for Game Night--Family Feud, Match Game. Discussed admission, location, set-up. All attendees will be eligible to be chosen to play and entered in a raffle, some slots will be chosen ahead of time. Talked about prizes and raffles. Jim will send us what he has for prizes, what is proposed, and other details. Date not yet determined.

Dave outlined his contacts regarding movie night. Event is cost prohibitive so the idea was abandoned. Dave will get some information on an antique appraisal session for later this year or possibly next Heritage Day.

Peggy reviewed preliminary plans for Variety Show. Talked about where to hold it, how to get acts, admission, target audiences, refreshments at intermission, sponsorship, etc. She is thinking of a November date and has an outline of the overall theme. Peggy will put together an estimate of expenses.

Other

None

ASSIGNMENTS

1. Kathie, volunteer response
2. Kathie, book October One-Room School lecture
3. Heritage Day--Roxanne, refreshments; Kathie, pack merchandise and do e-vite and poster
4. Roxanne, submit history book press release
5. Vet Memorial fund-raising--Jim, send members prize info, more details; Peggy, expenses for variety show.
6. Dave, info on appraiser

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Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Kathleen Northrup, Chair
April 26, 2012

Heritage Day - Head School/Cemetery, Sunday, May 20, noon to 4 p.m.
Next meeting Tuesday, May 22, 2012 - 6:45 p.m., Library