HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC) TOWN OF HOOKSETT



MINUTES OF MEETING August 26, 2014

Members present: Kathie Northrup, Jim Sullivan. Absent: Scott Riley.

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

Jim moved acceptance of the 8/14/14 minutes; Kathie seconded. Approved.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND MISCELLANEOUS:

- 1. Discussed new procedures adopted at the Council meeting 8/13/14. New procedure codified. "Boards and Committees shall receive their respective applications and make recommendations for nominations."
- 2. Old Home Day, Sat, Sept 20. Coverage, setup, etc. Jim is working with the Lions. As Scott was absent, do not know his schedule. Kathie will plan to cover our table for the day with a member of the Town Hall Preservation Committee as we are sharing a table.

REVIEW ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Kathie, meet with arborist from Collins Tree. Done. No work at Head is necessary. Catalpas: Arborist said these trees were okay. The branches on the south side could be trimmed as they are getting near the roof, but he didn't feel it was essential that this be done now.

Silver Maples along the south driveway: He estimates they are 80-100 years old. He said the dead branches in the last 2 trees could be trimmed, but that it was not critical to the health of the trees. The first 3 trees nearest Pleasant Street were in better condition.

Kathie shared the info with DPW, Cemetery Commission, and the neighbor abutting the cemetery along the south driveway.

2. Scott, list chairs for sale - deferred, Scott absent.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

Merchandise

First draft of Mt. St. Mary's Cat's Meow has been reviewed and returned for tweaking. Discussed sales at Robie's.

Sold another Martin's chair at Robie's. Kathie had brought 2 up to sell. After our last meeting, Scott said he would list the chairs, the small table, and the 2 prints from Head's.

History Book

Kathie spoke with Capt. Jon Daigle 8/19/14. He was responding to an email she sent with a copy of the 1988 PD history. She asked if the department might be interested in updating that history from 1989-present for inclusion in a multi-part history book. He said they would. He'll be back in touch. Explained we'd like to make good progress in the next 6-8 months.

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Decided that we would contact the Fire Department to see if they wish to be included. We are not aware of any history of the FD except for the Boisvert book on South Hooksett which we plan to include.

Jim suggested that a section from Granite Monthly about Hooksett might be included.

Kathie, info on printing *Sketches*. Kathie got prices for reprinting: 200-\$2778, 250-\$3414, 500-\$3847. She also found out that the cleaned-up scan used for the last printing has been misplaced by the printer, so if reprinted, we have to start all over again so will need some lead time. Members decided to revisit this in January 2015.

Historic Markers

Hooksett Airport marker ready. Unfortunately we have not yet received permission from landowner.

As there was not time to do the necessary research for our next scheduled marker (Lincoln Park), Kathie proposed as Plan B to do a marker for Mt. St. Mary's this fall as the research had all been done for the Cat's Meow piece. Permission has been received from MSM condo board, input re placement sought from NHDOT and DPW.

Jim moved to approve the wording; Kathie seconded. Unanimously approved.

Jim moved to expend \$2065 (\$2040 plus \$25 for 10' post if necessary) from the marker account to purchase the MSM marker, Kathie seconded; unanimously passed.

Kathie advised there will be \$1,300 left in the account after funding MSM and holding \$2040 for Lincoln Park for which we got a specific allocation.

The MSM marker unveiling is set for Sunday, October 19, at 2 p.m.

History Week/Month

In light of the fact that we'll be doing the unveiling as our History Month event, Kathie will contact the Civil War speaker and postpone that event until spring.

ASSIGNMENTS

- 1. Kathie, Old Home Day
- 2. Scott, list items for sale
- 3. Kathie, complete MSM piece
- 4. Kathie, call FD
- 5. Kathie, plan for MSM unveiling
- 6. Kathie, cancel Civil War program

Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Kathleen Northrup, Chair August 30, 2014

Next regular meeting Tuesday, September 23, 2014 - 6:45 p.m., at the Library