

HERITAGE COMMISSION (HC)  
TOWN OF HOOKSETT

MINUTES OF MEETING  
May 24, 2016



Members present: Kathie Northrup, Jim Sullivan. Meeting called to order at 6:45 p.m. at the library.

Jim moved to approve minutes of 04/26/16; Kathie seconded. Unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

**COMMUNICATIONS, CORRESPONDENCE AND MISCELLANEOUS:**

1. Council accepted donation of a circa 1900 parlor stove for eventual use at the old town hall at their 4/27/16 meeting.
2. Library has requested photos for “throw-back Thursday” postings on their website. Kathie will furnish.
3. Metal sign on Head Cemetery mausoleum has been refurbished by the Cemetery Commission.

**Review Assignments:**

1. Kathie, annual fee to NH Preservation Alliance--done
2. Kathie, continue conversion of oral history tapes at convenience of videographer//no progress. Dave Pearl advises he is into his busy season so we'll have to postpone working on the conversion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Update of Master Plan. Town Engineer requests completion of our portions of the master plan by June 7. Discussed briefly. Kathie will work on update.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Heritage Day

Twenty-one people visited the old town hall. Kathie had marked out (spray paint) the rooms in the addition and the stage area and put a sign in each saying what it will be used for. Photo boards and other information displayed. People who did visit were interested and appreciative of the opportunity to check out the progress.

Lilac Bridge

Dr. Shankle, Jim Donison, Kathie, and our bridge engineer attended a meeting with DHR/DOT in Concord on May 9 to discuss the bid for the 1936 section of the bridge in response to the “for sale” posting. The town is in discussions with bidder and land owner although the bid was considered “unresponsive” as it did not address specifics of the bid request.

Kathie also was present at a meeting on May 18 with utility companies and Robie's president regarding temporary relocation/permanent location of utility lines/poles.

Kathie, draft for bridge Cat's Meow--no progress. She will resume work once the schedule for possible sale/demo/construction is set.

#### Pinnacle Park

Kathie started work drafting historic marker for the park, but things have been stayed pending inspection of the kiosk and determining space available, etc.

#### Head School

Kathie, presentation for OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) on preservation project at Head's and living history program--two-part program offered 5/16 and 23. Very well received.

Three new schoolmarms have joined the Head School Society. They did their first classes earlier this month.

#### Monuments at Veterans' Park

Kathie, draft Veterans' Park recommendation and supporting material--done. Recommendations and backup sent to Dr. Shankle 5/8/16 with a request for comments and guidance on the next step.

Follow-up email received from Legion rep 5/11/16 and suggesting monument be placed to right of Vietnam and Merrill stones. No response sent until reply from Dr. Shankle.

#### Historic Markers

Kathie has begun research on Martin's Ferry historic marker--early settlement, first ferry, train station, physician, Elm House, Allen Farm, NH College. Kathie has contacted J. Duffy, Town Planner, and Jim Donison, town engineer, regarding placement.

#### **OTHER:**

Jim advised that the Governor and Council will be meeting in Hooksett at the library on Wednesday, July 13. They are looking into having their "pre-meeting" at Robie's.

#### **ASSIGNMENTS:**

1. Kathie, master plan update

Adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Kathleen Northrup, Chair  
May 29, 2016

**Next regular meeting Tuesday, June 28, 2016 - 6:45 p.m., at the Library**