Lee Heritage Commission Minutes of Meeting of July 16, 2015

Present:

Members: Laura Gund, Patricia Jenkins (Chair), Anne Jennison, David Meeker **Ex Officio**: Scott Bugbee, Select Board Representative to the Commission

Visitors: Laurel Cox, Jennifer Roy, of Epping representing "The Dearborn Company"

Approval of Previous Minutes: Minutes of meeting held on June 18, 2015, approved as written. **Updates and Announcements:**

Town Center Committee: D. Meeker related activities of the first meeting of the Committee.

Burleigh-Demeritt House: Letters relating to the condition of the house and the knotweed infestation on the property have been sent to the appropriate UNH officials.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Randall Easement:** P. Jenkins presented a draft letter to LCHIP, the easement holder, expressing the Commission's approval of the plans presented by Dorn Cox for the construction of a 30' x 40' compost shed and a 40' x 70' hayshed on the easement. A motion to accept the draft as written was made and approved unanimously.
- **250th Celebration:** After some discussion it was decided that, of the current Commission budgeted amount, the 250th Celebration Committee would be allocated \$10,000 and \$5,000 would be retained in the Commissions account. A motion to this effect was made by L. Gund, seconded by S. Bugbee, and approved unanimously. A. Jennison moved that the Commission sponsor reenactment activities for the celebration. This was seconded by L. Gund and approved unanimously. A. Jennison suggested that a concert by the Friese Brothers Big Band would be an appropriate activity, perhaps, on the Sunday following the parade.
- **"Down the Mast Road":** L. Gund read a letter from Jody Fernald stating that it is unlikely that the book can be reprinted. Ms. Fernald suggested other alternatives but none seemed promising.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Reenactment Event for 250th Celebration:** Jennifer Roy presented information concerning "The Dearborn Company", a historical reenactment group of which she is Captain. She described a variety of activities which the Company is capable of presenting. The Company is fully insured for liability. The usual cost of an event is a \$500 donation which helps to pay for the cost of insurance. They normally require at least an acre for their activities. She also stated that the group welcomes activities by local groups such as Boy Scout or Cub Scout troops. L. Gund suggested that the school should be informed and asked to participate. Ms. Roy stated a special program for the school is possible but generally requires an additional fee. It was also suggested that the Company might participate in the Mast Tree Event during the winter. Ms. Roy stated that she would like to have a commitment for their activity by January, 2016.
- **Commission Facebook Site:** A. Jennison was given permission to establish a Facebook site for the Commission. She will solicit pictures from Lee residents to display on the site.
- Interviews with Elderly Residents: L. Gund will arrange interviews with Wally Dennis and Meda Durepo.

Next Meeting: August 20, 2015

Submitted By _____

David Meeker