## Lee Heritage Commission Minutes of Meeting of October 20, 2016

**Present Members**: Cord Blomquist, Laura Gund (Acting Chair), Denis Hambucken, Liz McCaffrey, David Meeker, Scott Bugbee (Member and Select Board Representative to the Commission)

Visitors: Laurel Cox, Randall Farm, and Brian Ferguson of Flag Hill Distillery

**Approval of Previous Minutes**: Minutes of meetings held on July 21, September 15, and September 24, 2016, approved as written.

## **Updates and Announcements:**

**Budget Request:** C. Blomquist reported that the Advisory Budget Committee was pleased to accept the Commission's request for \$0 in the coming fiscal year.

**Visit to the Wright Museum:** After some discussion, it was decided that the Commission's field trip to the Museum should be scheduled for a weekday during November.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

- Silos at Flag Hill Distillery: Brian Ferguson presented a letter and drawings describing the silos and supporting facilities he proposes to construct adjacent to the barn on the historical easement of the Flag Hill property. There was concern that approval of such construction would act as a precedent stimulating other activities or construction on historical easements. It was also noted that the silos were important to the agricultural future of the vineyard and the Distillery. After considerable discussion, a motion to approve the construction was made by C. Blomquist and seconded by L. McCaffrey: "Moved that the construction proposal be approved in accordance to the plan and drawings presented to the Commission". The motion was approved with 5 in favor and 1 opposed. L. Gund will draft a letter stating this result to be sent to Frank and Linda Reinhold and Caren Rossi, Code Enforcement Officer.
- Grant for Preservation of Town Records: The Commission has received a letter from the NH Moose Plate Grant Program awarding it \$5,385 to support activities to preserve the Town's records. After considerable jubilation L. McCaffrey moved and C. Blomquist seconded a motion: "Moved that S. Bugbee and other Select Board members be designated to make all necessary steps for the acceptance of the Moose Plate Grant for the use of the Commission". The motion passed unanimously.
- **Burleigh-Demeritt House:** L. Gund reported that Tom Foxall has informed her that UNH has installed a new provost and suggested that it might be helpful to inform her of the history and current status of the house. It was decided that L. Gund should discuss the situation with P. Jenkins and contact Mr. Foxall if that seems appropriate.
- **2017 Heritage Calendar:** L. McCaffrey reported on the pictures she has obtained for the calendar and a schedule was proposed for its completion that would permit its sale at the December 4 event capping the 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Annual Report of the Commission:** L. Gund presented a draft of the annual report for inclusion in the Town Report. It was discussed and approved.
- **Colorized Photos:** Randy Stevens has had several of the Town's historical photos professionally enhanced and, in some cases, colorized. Means of reimbursement for costs and plans and locations for the display of the pictures was discussed. It was agreed that decisions will be made after the digital copies of the pictures are available. C. Blomquist agreed to assess the options available.
- **Request of the Facilities Committee:** S. Bugbee reported that the Facilities Committee has asked that the Commission provide a summary of each of the Town Center buildings: The Town Hall, the toolshed/tramp room, the Library, the History Museum, and the annex. L. Cox and S. Bugbee with the assistance of Anne Jennison and Erica Hunter will arrange and provide the information required of the Commission.
- Renewal of Membership: S. Bugbee moved and D. Hambucken seconded a motion: "Moved that the Commission renew its membership in the NH Preservation Alliance by submitting the required \$50 fee". The motion passed unanimously.Next Meeting: November 17, 2016

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