

## **Lee Heritage Commission Minutes of Meeting of November 17, 2016**

**Present Members:** Cord Blomquist, Laura Gund, Patricia Jenkins (Chair), Anne Jennison, Liz McCaffrey, David Meeker, Scott Bugbee, Member and Select Board Representative to the Commission

**Visitor:** Laurel Cox

**Approval of Previous Minutes:** Minutes of meeting held on October 20, 2016, approved as written.

### **Updates and Announcements:**

**250<sup>th</sup> Celebration:** The closing ceremony will be held at the Safety Complex on Sunday, December 4, from 2 to 4 PM followed by the Tree Lighting on the Common. S. Bugbee described the final activities at the “Bell Ringing” to be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

**Facilities Committee Questionnaire:** P. Jenkins has provided the Town’s Facilities Committee with the Commission’s needs for space and equipment.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Flag Hill Silo Construction:** L. Gund has prepared letters to be sent to Brian Ferguson, Frank and Linda Reinhold, Caren Rossi, and Jenna Lapuchinski (LCHIP) expressing the Commission’s approval of the final plans for the construction of silos on the Flag Hill easement. The letters were approved for mailing.

**2017 Calendar:** L. McCaffrey reported that she has sufficient photos for the calendar and will attempt to have a draft calendar for review by Monday, November 21. She presented a selection of photos for the monthly pages. Individuals will work with her to develop informational captions for each photo.

**Moose Plate Grant:** P. Jenkins reported that she has received a letter noting that the acceptance documents have been received by the funding agency and that 90% of the grant funds will be provided in the next few months. Details of the organization of the project were discussed. S. Bugbee moved and A. Jennison seconded **a motion to offer Sarah Cox \$500 to serve as liaison with the professional archivist from the Northeast Documentation Conservation Center.** The motion passed unanimously.

**Burleigh-Demeritt House:** L. Gund will send the new Provost of UNH a copy of the book “The Land in Our Hands” describing the history and significance of the house that UNH inherited and assumed responsibility for upkeep.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**Renewal of Barn Easements:** A number of historical barn easements are approaching their 10 year expiration and require renewal applications. The owners will be requesting a renewal at a coming Select Board meeting. S. Bugbee offered to copy existing files for owners and help them with their renewal applications.

**Book Sales:** Amazon Books has informed S. Bugbee that it has sold two copies of “Down the Mast Road” in its Kindle edition for the total sum of \$8.28. There was a discussion of opportunities for increasing sales of the Commission’s books.

**Glidden/Towle House:** The condition of the Glidden/Towle house on the corner of Wadleigh Falls Road and Campground Road continues to decline despite the efforts of the owner to stabilize its condition. The house is one of the oldest and most historic houses in Lee and deserves to be restored to a habitable form. As it is privately owned the Commission can only serve as a reference for efforts to fund restoration activities. Various means to that end were discussed. It was decided that, for the present, the Commission should express its willingness to assist the owners in any effort to develop outside funds for restoration of the house.

**Next Meeting: December 19, 2016**

Submitted By \_\_\_\_\_  
David Meeker