September 15, 2011

Lee Heritage Commission

Present were Pat Jenkins, Preston Samuel, Laurel Cox, Laura Gund. Dave Meeker was unable to attend.

**Reinhold Heritage Easement**: We discussed our visit to Flag Hill Winery on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Frank would like to put an addition on his existing shed. LCHIP agreed that it was an appropriate move.

**Newtown Plains**: Talked about the history of this road. Pat has met someone who may want to do some research on it. Talked about the problems of moving masts with oxen over this road.

Minutes: August 18, 2011 minutes approved as written.

**Bannister Property**: At the special Town Meeting called just to vote on whether or not to acquire this property next door to the Town Hall, this vote did not pass. No word at this time as to what will happen now to the property.

Bricker Property: Nothing new. Board of Selectmen have not discussed it publicly, to our knowledge.

**Town Center Committee**: We talked about a letter going to the Board of Selectmen from all the town commissions and committees requesting that they reactivate the Town Center Committee. This seems an appropriate time to do this, especially regarding the Bricker property. We talked about the future of the Grange building. Does it belong to the State Grange?

**Signs**: Preston has made a chart indicating resources available for historic sites. Discussed other books available as a resource.

**Heritage Commission membership**: Julian and Cozette Russell (Diane & John Carroll's son-in-law and daughter) do documentary films and may be interested in this Commission.

**Hydrangeas**: Preston will tend to these. They need some trimming after the considerable work done on them last year.

**Vault**: The vault has a padlock, with one key being kept in the Town Hall and one staying with Pat. The electrical work is being done by Richard Gibb.

**Old Home Day**: Talked about the up-coming Tractor Parade in conjunction with Old Home Day/Little River Fest. Should we have tractors from out-of-town? We also discussed possible dates for another year.

Lee Fair: There were quite a few activities on the Town Hall side of the road on fair day. There was a Bouncy House in the parking lot. The Hobo Shed was open with old equipment and signs on display, looked good and apparently folks were pleased to see inside the building. Shirley Walker and Deb McNelly were spinning and working with youngsters. The tents for the Agricultural Commission Pie/Pickle contest were under the trees. Several other groups were on site. The Heritage Commission sold two books that day.

Burleigh-DeMeritt Homestead: This was discussed, as usual, with no new information available.

**Barns**: Laurel is working on the LCHIP application for an Historic and Conservation easement on the Wadleigh Falls Island Farm. Pat will send a letter recommending it be considered for an easement.

Next meeting: October 20, 2011

Minutes submitted by Laura Gund