



Thursday, 18 December 2014
Town Office Conference Room
233A Atlantic Avenue

Present:

Paul Cuetara
Donna Etela, Chair
Jane Robie
Cynthia Swank

Alternates: Tibbie Field, Jeff Hillier

Absent: Carolyn Brooks, Jane Currivan, Jim Maggiore, Nancy Monaghan

1. Call to Order at 9:35AM. Hillier to vote for Currivan.
2. Treasurer's Report. Approved the Treasurer -provided copies of the statements.
3. Approval of Minutes. November 20, 2014 - approved as amended by the Recording Secretary.

November 24, 2014 - approved by members of the Demolition Review Committee in attendance. Etela reported that the Code Enforcement Officer showed her the paperwork for 12 Mill Road; the CEO has issued the permit.

4. Old Business

Attic Finds-Alethoscope,etc. Swank has begun a list of possible organizations and individuals to contact relating to the sale of the Alethoscope. She hopes to distribute the list and draft notice in time for the January 8th work session.

Hillier indicated that Plymouth State is not interested in acquiring additional stereograph images of the White Mountains but that the Exeter Historical Society will accept the views of Exeter. It provided a Deed of Gift form. EHS has offered North Hampton a 19th century receipt signed by Joshua Bartlett to a Drake in North Hampton. Swank will provide a Deed of Gift form to Hillier. Robie has an ebay account that possibly could be used for auctioning other stereograph cards.

Note: The subject of the sale, exchange, or donation of incidental found items not deemed of historical value to North Hampton will be discussed at the next meeting when Maggiore is present.

Rails to Trails update. Cuetara reported that the first meeting of the Rail to Byway Committee was held on December 11th. Scott Bogle of the Rockingham Planning Commission gave a presentation and answered questions about the effort in New Hampshire. Select Board Chair Maggiore, and Town Administrator Apple attended as well as appointed members of the Committee and interested citizens. The next meeting will be January 8th at 3 pm. Cuetara will contact Bogle requesting the presentation slides and handouts in electronic format, and send to Swank for distribution.

Centennial Hall update. Nothing to report. Etela will try to contact McCann and Michaud again after the holidays.

Town Campus Facilities. No update as Maggiore not present.

PR/Citizens Committee. Victoria Kilroy & Anne Ambrogi are heading a citizens committee called Our Town, Our Future Citizens Group to support the Town Campus plan. Its next meeting is Jan. 8 at 7pm at Town Hall. All welcome to participate and contribute money.

Survey Workshop 1/08/2015. The meeting will start at 9:30AM at a location to be determined. Members are to be prepared to discuss how to proceed with the historic resources survey, including developing a form to use. Swank noted that the Commission may need a workshop day to reassemble the HC Conference Room. Members authorized her to look for a 42 inch wide lateral steel file cabinet to replace the two old vertical file cabinets whose insulation is crumbling.

Action Items. None

5. New Business

Stone Building. Completion date for the renovations is not known.

Town Report. Suggestions for the Commission's annual report included: demolition review vote, procedures, visits and documentation of properties before the vote, Library Building naming to the National Register, involvement in North Hampton Library Day, joint meeting with Little Boar's Head in July 2013, historic preservation intern.

Reimbursement. Cuetara offered a motion to reimburse the Chair and Secretary for paper they consume in conducting Commission business. The Chair and Secretary declined.

6. Next Meeting Date & Time. Work session Jan 8, 2015 at 9:30AM; regular session Jan 15, 2015 at 9:30AM.

7. Adjournment 11:12AM

Cynthia G. Swank
Recording Secretary