



Work Session  
22 January 2015  
Heritage Commission Conference Room  
237 Atlantic Avenue

Present:

Donna Etela, Chair  
Tibbie Field  
Jim Maggiore  
Jane Robie  
Cynthia Swank

Meeting convened at 9:40am. Etela, Field, Robie and Swank had agreed to meet in a work session to plan the historic resources area survey. Maggiore was in attendance for the first part of the meeting to learn what preliminary work the group wished his daughter, Casey Maggiore, to do.

Casey Maggiore will, if possible in time for the next regular meeting of the Heritage Commission on February 19,

- 1) Separate the Assessor's spreadsheet into individual spreadsheets for each tax map number; sort by construction date.
- 2) Obtain copies of each tax maps and, using the construction date information, color code each property that is fifty years or older on each tax map. The following date ranges will each have its own color: 1600 and 1700s, 1800 - 1850, 1851 - 1900, 1901 - 1950, 1951 - 1970. She may select the colors used but the two divisions in the 19th and 20th centuries should be shades of the same color *e.g.* a dark and a light blue for the 19th century, a red and pink for the 20th century.

The group discussed the purposes of the area survey and its benefits to the Commission, other Land Use boards, Building Inspector, Select Board and Fire Department as well homeowners. and the public.

We agreed that the Commission should ask the other Land Use boards to collaborate on a project to create or update overlays to the Town maps. For example, overlays might include conservation easements, barn easements, historic properties, developments (some more than 50 years old, others more recent), roads and driveways, wetlands. A project purpose statement will likely be necessary to explain.

While it seems likely the Rockingham Planning Commission would take the data and enter it into its GIS system, the group thought the Town should explore the feasibility of software to do the work or do updates in-house. A brief discussion of the capital reserve fund for digitization and preservation of Land Use records ensued.

Maggiore left and the group went over the various survey forms of the NH Division of Historical Resources. Once the color coded tax maps are completed, the entire Commission will review and determine whether to prepare an area survey form by tax map number or by historic name where applicable. It is possible at this stage photographs will be taken of historic properties. For those properties of considerable significance, an abbreviated individual inventory form will be completed.

The Little Boar's Head Heritage Commission will be asked to update the information in the National Register nomination submission of 1999 to reflect any changes to the contributing properties; and to review any historic properties that are located in Little Boar's Head district but not the National Register- defined area.

The session ended at 11:34AM.

Cynthia Swank  
Recording Secretary