

Minutes of the Stratham Heritage Commission

June 9, 2010

OPENING:

Members present: Becky Mitchell, chair; Beverly Connolly, secretary; Nancy Hansen, Treasurer, Flossie Wiggin, alternate member; M J Werner, Planning Board Rep.; and Dave Canada, Selectman

Meeting: Opened at 5:40 pm and adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Minutes: May 12, 2010 meeting minutes, as distributed and posted on the town's website, were accepted.

Treasurer's report: Nancy reported that as of May 28, the Heritage Fund had a balance of \$3,457.99; the Heritage Commission account, \$2,907.01.

OLD BUSINESS:

Veterans' Registry: Nancy reported that some of the engraving was not ready for Memorial Day. Several members reported that lighting on the flag, on a monument and the rock was not working. Dave will look into this.

Planning Board: MJ said that revisions are being made to the Master Plan. The Gateway Guidance Document is in draft form. Becky will be writing an existing conditions/history summary for use in the Town Center master plan.

State Preservation Plan Meeting: On May 17, 29 individuals, most of who represented museums or historic sites, attended a meeting in Portsmouth. Only two people, Becky and John Merkle from Exeter, represented Heritage Commissions. Much concern was expressed regarding historic buildings and building code problems.

Survey of Historic Resources: Becky e-mailed the new map with lot numbers and a sample survey to all survey participants.

Tercentary Committee: Currently, the biggest need is fundraising. Plans consist of numerous events for several months prior to a culmination celebration on July 4, 2016.

NEW BUSINESS: There are no scheduled July and August meetings. If business arises, meetings may be called at the discretion of the chair.

SEPTEMBER MEETING: Municipal Center, Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2010, 5:30pm