MERRIMACK HERITAGE COMMISSION UNOFFICIAL MINUTES March 14, 2015

ATTENDANCE: Anita and Finlay

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF FEB. MINUTES: No quorum, so unable to approve minutes.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Have one full opening and three alternates. Anita will try Sr. Citizens Club. Finlay also has some ideas. Lynne and Deb both expire June 30, 2016.

OLD BUSINESS:

Historical Home Plaques: Still waiting response from several homeowners. Lon checking on Ward, Twardosky and Trotter. Lynne has gotten approval from Bernier. Anita will contact D'Orvall for approval for Bird's Nest Tea House building. Finlay will try to find contact information on him.

<u>John Cromwell plaque replacement</u>: Anita will contact Dave Brooks to call Finlay for arrangements with John Richtarik at Anheuser Busch.

<u>Photos for Memorial Room:</u> Waiting installation through Jackie Flood. Finlay will contact Jackie.

<u>Wooden Stocks at Weston Park</u>: Lynne to prepare wording for notice. Possible new location for Historical Society:

> Rev. Wright's House: No further information. Anita will seek permission to clear up landscaping around home and post a memorial plaque on the building. Doubtful that we could afford to update the house to current standards.

Fish Hatchery: No further information. This is still a feasible situation.

Welcome Signs: Purchase and location approvals. Anita has tentative approval for locations at North and South ends of town. Should have answers within the next two weeks. Anita will then contact Dave Brooks to proceed wit creation of granite signs.

<u>Relocation of ice house and corn crib</u>. Lynne working on condition and permission for ice house. Anita working on permission for corn crib.

K of C Craft fair in Nov. Will register to share space with Historical Society.

Participation in July 4th program booth and event: Anita needs help with choices for scavenger hunt, design of passports, posting the locations and finding prizes.

Boston Post Cane: The original cane is in display case. Finlay looking into having several replicas made to give to the oldest resident. Currently they get only a pin.

ONGOING PROJECTS:

<u>Town Tour Brochures</u>: Anita continuing printing, folding and distributing brochures. They are very popular. Should begin work on the South Merrimack brochure in the next month.

<u>Greeting Cards</u>: Available for sale year-round.

- Dam History and Chamberlain Bridge Sign: These projects probably on hold for 2017.
- <u>McGaw Bridge</u>: 2016. In process. Lon investigating the original sign, which may be included in the project.

Bean Road Bridge: Hope to reopen by fall.

- <u>Preservation of Spalding foundation in Horse Hill.</u> Waiting for action by Eagle Scout for project approval.
- ANNUAL REPORT TO THE TOWN COUNCIL: Done of Feb. 25. Anita and Lon were present.
- **NEXT MEETING: May 9.** Due to scheduling challenges, we will meet every other month, and try for online action between.