

HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES

February 11, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Chip, Anita, Lon, Ralph and GiGi Jennings (new potential member). Council liaison absent.

MINUTES: Reviewed and approved Nov and Dec. minutes. Lon not present at Nov. meeting, so abstained. Jan. meeting was cancelled due to storm.

MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Gigi Jennings attended to express interest in membership. Was provided with copies of applicable documents. Will contact Becky with letter of interest._

OLD BUSINESS:

Old Home Signs-Plaques have been given to various members for action in Spring. Lack of phone numbers has delayed action.

Ralph: Two on Fuller Mill Rd. Unable to reach anyone at either location yet.
Two on Joppa Rd. No answers to phone messages.

Chip: Two on Loop Rd.

Lon: One on DW Highway. Will try again

Others to act in Spring:

One on Jennifer Rd. Lon will try to reach Twardosky

One on Hadley Rd.

One on Griffin St.

Two on Harris Rd. One unoccupied. Will install anyway

Simond's/Symond's Rock status: Anita: Have sent documents to Pennichuck assuring their protection from liability. Waiting response. Hope to get approval, so that project may be opened for a Boy Scout to clear land, install fence and erect signage as an Eagle Scout project in spring/summer.

Hazen Site: In Spring, plan to visit site of old Fuller's Mill foundation from the water for photos.
Scavenger Hunt. Hope to have another scavenger hunt in the Fall.

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Other signs: Old schoolhouse sites, 2 old firehouses, 4 Village locations, other properties:

Class 6 Roads: Old Grater, South Grater, Old Blood, Blood and Old King's Highway.

Reviewed plans, which we hope to visit in Spring.

Facebook page, website for Commission. Discussed possibilities. Lon; will see Chuck Miller to determine what and how we can get media attraction.

Thornton's Ferry/Sklar park plans: Reviewed plans to work with Litchfield to create parks in both towns to emphasize our joint interest.

Historical Building Preservation. No further news on request for lottery winner to consider preservation trust fund.

Anderson/Hall/French/Michael House: Reviewed history of building. Has been demolished, so no longer a possibility for Society headquarters.

Wright House: After many years of attempted negotiation, the house and property has been sold by the Manchester YMCA to Dave Whittemore. Have received copy of Probate decision from Community Development Dept. in 2016, allowing this purchase. Dave has contacted Anita stating that he plans to preserve the home. Will talk further when he returns from a trip. Will inquire about possibility of having a historical display room.

Approved: April 8, 2019

Fish Hatchery: Now that activity is taking place at Flatley site, Anita will initiate further contact to see potential action on acquiring house and storage as well as moving Schoolhouse #12 to this site.

623 DW Highway: Building being demolished for use as a parking lot.

Gordon/Hazeltine/Levi Lowell Home: Deteriorating, but not available for sale.

Village Brochures: Still in great demand.

Annual Report to Town Council scheduled for July. Printed report submitted.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

NEXT MEETING: March 11