

HERITAGE COMMISSION DRAFT MINUTES

AUGUST 19, 2019

ATTENDANCE : Anita Creager, Ralph Gerenz, Gigi Jennings, liaison Barbara Heaney and visitor Marc Nozell. This constitutes a quorum.

APPROVAL OF JULY MINUTES: Approved without changes.

MEMBERSHIP: Still seeking one full member and 3 alternates. Barbara will be our liaison with the Town Council. Lon is not allowed to be both a member and liaison, but may attend some meetings as a visitor. Marc Nozell considering membership to aid in coordinating with Historical Society.

OLD BUSINESS:

Old Home Signs: The following people have the signs and information. Will deliver.

Loop Rd. Four were delivered by Anita. #9 already had one.

DW Highway. Lon has delivered. Owner wants historical details. Anita will provide.

Jennifer Rd. Lon returned sign for Anita to deliver.

Harris St. Anita . Delivered to 9 Harris Ave. Lon returned the one for 8 Harris for Anita to deliver.

Griffin St. Anita will deliver 10.

11 Hadley Rd. Ralph will deliver.

Master list of all four phases was reviewed. There are still many for which we need to verify that signs have been erected. Anita and Ralph working on it.

Simon's Rock: Anita. Barbara will check with Eileen Cabernal about legal status. Town lawyers have contacted Pennichuck. Waiting replies. Anita will contact Pennichuck and Eileen.

Hazen Site: Chip will get photos from water access at Lynda Tomasian's. Suggestion as to use of arial photography.

Annual Report: Anita. Report made at July 18 Town Council Meeting

ONGOING BUSINESS:

Sklar property – No further information. Anita will pursue with Conservation Commission.

Old King's Highway status: Waiting for Chip to set dates for further walks. Gigi has done some research, but needs input from Chip.

Old Blood and Grater Roads: Due to conflicts and weather, we didn't make the walk on July 27. However, Lon did a partial from Wilson Hill Rd. to Middle School. Paving is being considered for this portion. Anita has checked on far end near Baboosic Lake Rd., where the stone walls are still standing. Reviewed some maps. Grater to be done later.

Other Signs: Waiting to set dates for visits to old schoolhouses and fire stations to locate and get permission for signs.

Scavenger Hunt: Hope for fall. Anita will work on it. Suggest involving school students for educational purposes. No schools responded about annual program done in past with grade 4.

Website: Lon has talked with Chuck Miller. Anita will talk with Becky Thompson. Anita to work on ideas to incorporate. Asked for input from other members.

NEW BUSINESS:

BAE deed review . Gigi visited schoolhouse to see map and see what she is able to find to trace the Bowers/Blanchard data.

Other preservation activities:

Walls. NH Cultural Resources. DES doing project recording locations of all stone walls in NH. Many current ones shown on website [Https://NHDES.maps. arcgis.com](https://NHDES.maps.arcgis.com). There is a site, EMMIT listing these, which is different from the previous one. Anita to contact DES to determine what information they require to enter data we gather. Members are interested in gathering data to enter. Anita to investigate available GIS town maps, which may be useful. Also looking into requesting data from local residents.

Others: Barns listing those. Another of the oldest/largest trees. And another of culverts. These are all suitable projects for the Commission to get involved with at some point. Anita visited 33 Seaverns Bridge Rd. to see/photograph large Sycamore tree and talk with owner, Jacqueline Patten about the history- not successful yet. Anita has a listing of old trees from DES.

John Wheeler Portrait: Placed in the hall in the Town Hall where current portrait of Daniel Webster stands. Have identification plates to be installed.

K of c Craft Fair: Anita registration fee has been sent to Historical Society.

Merrimack Drive In Theater; Chip has found two records of this theater on new "positive town website". Marc gave Anita full copies of the articles.

Next meeting: September 16, due to holiday and other conflicts. This is a change from usual second Monday of the month.