## **Hollis Heritage Commission**

## Town of Hollis, Hollis, NH 03049

Date: 24 January, 2017

Members Present: Dave Sullivan, Karla Vogel, Michael Bates, Jan Larmouth, Honi Glover, Joe Johnson, Wendy Trimble, Aurelia Perry

Members Absent: Vahrij Manoukian, Ron Peik, Josey MacMillan

Meeting: Called to order: 7:02pm

Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes: November, 2016 (no meeting December 2016)

Approved with changes- motion by Honi; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Joe.

*Finance:* Jan reported: Heritage Fund -- \$2000. Cooper Shop Fund -- \$14,010.51. We got \$0.13 in interest. YTD calendar donations, sales, sponsorship -- \$9904.11; YTD calendar expenses -- \$3220.00 = YTD calendar profits -- \$6684.11. All calendar profits have gone into the Cooper Shop Fund. We also received our annual Town Appropriation of \$875.00.

**Business:** Discussion of donating to the Hollis Illumination Celebration. We discussed buying the supplies to decorate the Farley Building next year. We are also donating \$25.00 after the fact for the 2016 celebration, to the Women's Club.

Community Brunch scheduled for February 5<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 1pm. at Alpine Grove. The Rotary Club is sponsoring the brunch. Michael and Honi will be manning a table there for the Heritage Commission, selling the remainder of the calendars, and letting everyone know what we do.

Karla and Joe are going to start to put together a brochure about what the Heritage Commission does specifically, for future use.

We are putting off participation in Freedom's Way's Hidden Treasures weekend this year, and will revisit participating next year.

Joe suggested an online auction as an alternate to our yearly calendar for raising funds. We'd request items from local businesses and individuals, and advertise by word of mouth. We would have to time the auction so as not to conflict with other local groups' auctions.

Karla suggested a Hollis historic jigsaw puzzle as a fundraiser – it would be a year-round sale item, as opposed to the calendar, which is focused on the fall. Discussion of pricing on-line sites for creation of a puzzle: Café Press or other. We could do a series. We'd want 500-piece, minimum.

Wendy pointed out that the calendar was a great seller this year, and people would miss it if we didn't do one this year. Pretty scenery was greatly appreciated; Karla suggested throwing the pictures out to the public, asking for submissions for each month. We'd have a theme, and requirements. Dave mentioned that we did try that previously, and got only a handful of submissions, some of which were not useable. Wendy mentioned, though, that the calendar has a much wider following now. Jan suggested "Beautiful Hollis" as a theme. We'd disallow people in the pictures. Dave suggested we prepare a write-up for the Hollis Facebook page, and for the newspaper, mentioning the popular calendar, the theme, and the submissions. We'd still advertise for sponsors for a page. Joe will get the legal terminology for photo submissions.

Karla had some expenses related to the calendar; Honi moved to reimburse her, and Dave seconded the motion.

Michael brought in \$100 from calendar sales.

Jan reported that the HDC has not had a meeting lately, but many of the houses that had been for sale or vacant in the Historic District are now happily occupied.

We currently have an open Alternate Member position on the Heritage Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06pm.

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by Aurelia Perry.