Hollis Heritage Commission

Town of Hollis, Hollis, NH 03049

Date: 28 February, 2017

Members Present: Dave Sullivan, Honi Glover, Jan Larmouth, Josie MacMillan, Karla Vogel, Joe

Johnson, Wendy Trimble, Michael Bates, Aurelia Perry

Guests: Lillian Sullivan

Members Absent: Vahrij Manoukian, Ron Peik

Meeting: Called to order: 7:00pm

Minutes: January, 2017

Approved – motion by Honi; 2nd by Joe.

<u>Finance:</u> Jan reported that we are back-paying the Women's Club for the luminary event. The balance in the Cooper Shop fund is \$14,521.33; it will go up by the \$25.00 mistakenly sent from that fund to the Women's Club. We still have \$2000.00 in the other account.

<u>Business:</u> This Saturday at 9am is the Selectmen's volunteer appreciation breakfast, at the Lawrence Barn. In April, we will have the election of the officers for this Commission, so start thinking about it. Dave has been putting together a Heritage Commission rules & procedures document, a breakdown of some of the projects we've been working on lately and the things that we do, and an updated list of member contact information.

The Town Meeting will be the 18th of March, and elections will the 14th.

Honi reports that one way or another, someone is stepping in to do a Hollis Old Home Days this year. Of 300 calendars printed, we have 24 left, and Jan will be taking 3. We will sell the rest at the Town Meeting, for the reduced price of \$5. It was suggested that if someone wants to give a smaller amount, of, say, \$2 or \$3, we could rip off a few months, and give them a shortened calendar.

Karla has drafted an excellent tri-fold brochure about the Heritage Commission, our purpose, our buildings and their history, our on-going projects, a map of the Woodmont area and of where the Lawrence Barn is located, specifically to give out to the public. She has also done some research on places at which we could potentially get Hollis puzzles made, if that is a fund-raising option we would like to pursue. Possibilities include a big puzzle (500 pieces or more) or several smaller, post-card size puzzles of which we could do several scenes, and have them packaged in attractive tin boxes. Either way, it would be a relatively large upfront investment to hopefully double our money back over time. It would be less of a time-sensitive product than are the calendars, which we fully intend to keep up.

Michael reported that the recent Rotary Club meeting was good community involvement, and good exposure for us. Many attendees wanted to buy calendars, but couldn't find any at this late date!

Wendy reported that there is a new land-use board being formed, purely for the use of the chairs of other committees, to better share information. It would meet quarterly, or by e-mail. The first meeting will be this coming Thursday, March 2nd.

Jan reports that the Historic District Commission will be meeting this week. 9 Proctor Hill Road is proposed for demolition. It's set back in a field; perhaps a 1940s structure. it was never constructed well, and poorly planned additions over many years have made it worse. The house is in danger of collapse. They would like to build something fitting, but more modern – a sort-of cape-style home with a large front porch. The other two cases in front of the HDC are for signs.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02pm – motion by Honi, 2nd by Aurelia.

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 28th.

Respectfully submitted by Aurelia Perry.