

Hollis Heritage Commission

Town of Hollis, Hollis, NH 03049

Date: 28 March, 2017

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

Members Absent: Ron Peik, Josey MacMillan, Joe Johnson, Vahrij Manoukian

Meeting: Called to order: 7:00pm

Minutes: February, 2017

Approved – motion by Karla; 2nd by Honi.

Finance: Jan reported that we have \$1,975.00 in the Heritage Fund; \$14,574.29 in the Cooper Shop fund. We have 14 calendars left, out of 400 printed.

Business: Wendy put together and printed a nice version of the Heritage Commission Rules of Procedure for everyone.

To renew each person's membership on a town Commission, the Selectmen have now proposed that each person go in front of them to be interviewed. Josey MacMillan had been in touch with Dave, and wanted to step down to an Alternate membership and have Karla Vogel become a Regular member. As this was generally agreed upon, Aurelia moved to accept the proposal and Honi seconded. The next Selectmen's meeting is April 10th, for those who will need to renew.

Honi reported that she and Wendy did the demolition on the house on Proctor Hill Road that is proposed for tear-down.

Honi suggests that the next calendar theme be Scenic Hollis. We will solicit sponsors again, and look for a list of Hollis businesses to enquire. The sponsorship will not reflect the pictures this time, but will be credited in a nice banner below the picture. It was suggested to set the sponsorship price at \$400 per month, and see how many we get. We will still sell business card spaces on the back, for \$200 again, also – and potentially two pages of that. Those spaces have been very popular. Karla suggested we do some advance notice in the local newspapers, requesting both amateur and professional photos – she will write a piece for publication. Wendy volunteered her e-mail address for submissions.

Karla is continuing to work on the gorgeous tri-fold brochure she is developing for the HHC. She needs pictures of our buildings, and accurate text regarding their history. She also brought in a concept example of a puzzle that had been done for Portland, OR. It's very attractive, in an oblong cardboard box, but would take an upfront cost that we are not willing to fork up at this point: the calendar is our primary focus right now.

Wendy and Dave proposed a Vintage Drive Day event as a fun fundraiser for the Commission, for Father's Day weekend, Saturday, June 17th – all cars welcome, vintage or aspiring! Would meet at the

Lawrence Barn for registration and snacks, drive out together for a small tour, meet again at the Beaver Brook Gardens for photos and picnic. Registration fee \$20/car. Wendy and Dave will check on prices for the Lawrence Barn for one hour for a town organization. Wendy has drafted a beautiful flyer for the event.

Jan reported that the Historic District Commission approved the demolition of the house on Proctor Hill Road, which Honi and Wendy recorded. It had been built in the 1930s, badly constructed to begin with, and was in such poor condition that there is testimony from a contractor who had been going to restore it that it was beyond that possibility. They will now raze the house, combine with the next lot (same owner), and leave it as open land. If they want to build in future, they will submit detailed plans.

Other applications regard two signs.

Dave brought up that the election of officers in the Commission must be completed **by the end of April**. We are in hopes that as many HHC members will be able to attend next month's meeting as possible, for that reason!

Dave passed around members' updated contact information, and a great compilation of the Heritage Commission's Town Reports for the last seven years.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19pm.

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 25th.

Respectfully submitted by Aurelia Perry.