

**Hollis Heritage Commission**  
**Town of Hollis, Hollis, NH 03049**

**Date: 24 September, 2019**

**Members Present:** Wendy Trimble, Honi Glover, David Sullivan, Susan Benz, Karla Vogel, Doug Nye, Aurelia Perry

**Members Absent:** Michael Bates, Jan Larmouth

**Meeting:** Called to order: 7:00pm. Pledge of Allegiance

**Minutes:** August 2019

**Approved – motion by Karla, Doug 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Finance:** Jan's report shows that we have \$2,672.00 in the general Heritage fund, \$13,221.31 in the Cooper Shop fund, and \$20,049.34 in the Money Market account. Expenses have included \$25.00 for the second Old Home Days booth, and \$100.00 for the NH Preservation and Freedom's Way memberships. Deposits have included \$200.00 paid for calendar sponsorship, \$480.00 in 2020 Calendar sales, \$20.00 in donations for the Cooper Shop.

**Calendar:** We are now selling calendars at Lull Farm, Kimball's Fruit Farm, the Town Hall, the Hollis Pharmacy. We are going to ask about selling them at Brookdale Farm, and at the Dry Cleaner's. Wendy purchased a great, square basket in which to display the calendars at Lull Farm, and will buy another one for the calendars at (hopefully) Brookdale.

**Business:** Our double booth at Old Home Days was right next to the Cooper Shop foundation, and the location was excellent. Doug made a beautiful podium for our informational plaque regarding the coming Cooper Shop, and it looks magnificent! We will reimburse Doug for the supplies he used. There was a lot of interest in the HHC and the Cooper Shop at Old Home Days, and we sold many calendars. Jan has suggested getting professional HHC banners made, one for the top entryway of the tent, and a smaller one for the table, for future use. Karla moved that we look into getting such banners produced; Wendy 2<sup>nd</sup>. Lull Farm lent us the handsome mums and autumn plants with which we decorated the booth, and we would like to send them a thank-you note. It was also wonderful to see Doris and Josey there – they helped out for hours, and we're so grateful for their help and for their excellent company.

Dave brought our antique sleigh to the Old Home Days booth for the day, decorated with a skeleton dressed in an antique uniform – said skeleton was summarily dubbed 'Noah Dow', original owner of the Cooper Shop. The sleigh will now be stored back in the Lawrence Barn.

Cooper Shop – Dave's brother does work in historic preservation, and will come by to look at the parts we have and give some input.

We are going to ask Todd, Director of the DPW, if he would be able to get the storage container emptied for us before winter so that we have room for Cooper Shop materials. The storage container still holds old shelving and shop materials from when it was first donated to us.

Honi will start making pegs – probably oak – to use to assemble the primarily pine and hemlock boards. Doug tells us that the historical terminology for such pegs is ‘treenails’, sometimes also spelled ‘trenail’ and ‘trunnel’.

We are talking about getting a fence for around the Cooper Shop site, so that no one will get hurt while construction is ongoing. Wendy has priced snow fencing for about \$70. Karla suggested using green fencing, about 5’ high, that we can get at a farm supply shop. Karla already has some that we can use. We will also put up signs telling people to stay off the site.

Doug is getting quotes for painting the Gambrel Barn and Ice House; the quote for just the Gambrel Barn is \$950.00, including time and materials. We also need to get the window and a loose shingle fixed on the Gambrel Barn. Dave has a contact to ask about the roof shingle; Honi has some extra antique glass which we may use for fixing the window.

Annual HHC Site Walk – we are looking at Saturday, November 9. We will meet at 9am, at the North Cemetery.

Susan gave us an update on the Selectmen’s meeting last night; the Old Home Days Committee is looking for new members.

Karla will put an article about 2020 Calendar purchase opportunities and the Cooper Shop foundation in the Hollis-Brookline Journal.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10pm.

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>

Respectfully submitted by Aurelia Perry.