



## Town of Hollis Heritage Commission

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### **HOLLIS HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

**October 24, 2023**

**Town Hall Meeting Room**

**MEMBERS OF THE HHC:** Karla Vogel, Acting Chair; Susan Benz, Select Board Representative; Jan Larmouth, Treasurer and Acting Vice-Chair; Honi Glover, Regular Member; David Sullivan, Regular Member; Sharon McCaffrey, Alternate; Cassandra Vorisek-Creto, Alternate; Tom Cook, Historic District Commission Representative; Aurelia Perry, Recording Secretary.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Karla Vogel, Acting Chair; Susan Benz, Select Board Representative; Jan Larmouth, Treasurer and Acting Vice-Chair; Honi Glover, Regular Member; David Sullivan, Regular Member; Sharon McCaffrey, Alternate; Aurelia Perry, Recording Secretary.

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Cassandra Vorisek-Creto, Tom Cook.

**GUESTS:** David Getman, Greg Lennartz, Doug Nye.

**CALL TO ORDER: 7:00pm.** Pledge of Allegiance.

Karla introduced our guests David Getman and Greg Lennartz, who are interested in joining the HHC. We are delighted to have them.

### **APPROVAL OF HHC MEETING MINUTES:**

September 2023. *Approved – motion by Susan, seconded by Sharon. Motion passed.*

### **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Jan reports that there is \$762.16 in the general Heritage Fund; \$27,512.79 in the Cooper Shop account; \$71,274.95 in the total Citizen's checking account. \$202.00 in interest accrued in September.

Additional activity on the accounts has included:

- \$4,400.00 paid to The Copy Shop for calendar printing.
- We received \$150.00 from the Old Home Days Committee for part of the cooper demonstration fee.
- HHC account numbers have been changed to designate the fund that deposits are made into and from which expenses are paid: 0 = the general Heritage Fund; 1 = the Cooper Shop Fund; 2 = the White Barn Fund.
- Donations will not be tracked separately at the Town level. All deposits will go into Miscellaneous Revenue for the appropriate account.
- Calendar revenue and expenses are designated for the Cooper Shop Fund until this project is complete. Interest earned is designated to be deposited into the Cooper Shop Fund.
- The above changes were made for ease of reporting.

Jan also reported that Karla has requested our usual bequest of \$750.00 from the Town.

Jan suggested that \$2,000.00 be moved from the Cooper Shop account to the White Barn account, to cover incidental expenses such as wasp removal. All funds in the White Barn account are currently dedicated to the work that Ron Peik and Alpine Environmental are doing on the building. Karla also suggested that all further funds from Calendar sales this year, which are in general for Heritage Projects, be put into the White Barn account.

*Motion to move \$2,000 from the Cooper Shop account and all incoming funds from Calendar sales for the rest of the year into the White Barn account – motioned by Jan, seconded by Susan. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Karla moved to reimburse Jan for the \$225.00 for wasp removal, by J.P. Pest – seconded by Sharon; motion passed unanimously.*

## **BUSINESS:**

### **White Barn:**

Jan reports that Ron Peik and his crew are working on the building, and doing an amazing job. The front will be completed, and they will do as much as possible to cover up the tar paper on the sides. The windows and doors are also being worked on, as is the interior of the barn.

Karla mentioned that the NH Preservation Alliance has announced matching grants of up to \$10,000 for work such as we are doing on the White Barn. The HHC in general agreed that this would be a great opportunity; she and Jan will work on applying for a grant.

### **Cooper Shop:**

Dave reported that work is ongoing. Cooper Ron Raselis has made us a beautiful small barrel for donations, and it is wonderful.

### **Calendar:**

Karla reports that to date we have distributed 485 calendars for sale. We are working on compiling the sales information.

Susan suggested selling calendars at the Hollis Art Society show at the Lawrence Barn, and also at the Luminaria event.

### **Woodmont:**

There has been an inquiry to use the Gambrel Barn for a movie backdrop. What insurance do we need, and what kind of contract, with liability for damages? The HHC in general agreed that that would be a Town responsibility.

Karla also asked when we should put the picnic table away for the season; in general, it was agreed that the table should go away before it snows. Dave said that he will take care of it. Jan will see if she can clean the paint off it, first.

Morin's is going to donate a tree – probably a sugar maple – to replace the large elm that died and was removed. We are considering the best location; Morin's might have a suggestion. It shouldn't be too close to the barn. It can't go exactly in the same place, as the old root system is still there.

## **Farley Building Informational Meeting:**

Dave reported that the building will now be a community center, and donations are being accepted. There is much community enthusiasm for this, as the Town Hall, Lawrence Barn, and Library have limited space and availability.

Karla pointed out that this is not an HHC project, this is a Town project.

**Annual Site Walk of HHC (“Anabelle Johnson”) Properties:**

Aiming for Saturday, November 18, 10am. We will meet at the North Cemetery.

**Historic District Commission Report:**

No member of the HDC was present to report.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Doug Nye brought the donation of an original barrel made in Hollis, from donor Jack Plummer! Thank you to Jack and to Doug.

**ADJOURNMENT:** *Motion to adjourn at 8:12 was made by Susan and seconded by Sharon.*

**Next Meeting to be held at 7pm, Tuesday, November 28<sup>th</sup>, at the Town Hall.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Aurelia Perry, Recording Secretary.

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