

Hollis Heritage Commission

Town of Hollis, Hollis, NH 03049

Date: 28 January, 2020

Members Present: Honi Glover, Wendy Trimble, Susan Benz, Karla Vogel, Jan Larmouth, Doug Nye, Aurelia Perry

Members Absent: Michael Bates, David Sullivan

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

Minutes: November, 2019. We did not meet in December. Approved; motion by Honi, 2nd by Karla.

Finance: Jan reports that as of the end of December, we have \$2,645.72 in the general Heritage Fund; \$13,639.18 in the Cooper Shop Fund; and \$20,172.65 in the Money Market account. Activity included \$750.00 for our annual Town appropriation; \$400.00 from Calendar sponsorship; \$1,960.00 in Calendar sales.

To date, the 2020 Calendar sponsorship has yielded \$6,200.00 in sponsorships and \$3,680.00 in sales, for total revenue of \$9,880.00. Printing costs were \$3,202.25, for a profit of \$6,677.75.

Business: We are starting to think about the 2021 Calendar, and want to encourage shots of animals and nature within our Scenic Hollis theme.

Cooperage: we have gotten a couple of e-mails from people kindly offering to volunteer. We will probably need a separate meeting to organize volunteers and scheduling. Doug pointed out that we'll probably want to have a planning meeting first, to find out what specialties are needed, in what order. We'll need a task list, a materials list (inventory as well as what will be additionally required), a diagram of the foundation & of the assemblage.

Following the initial planning meeting, we will probably want to have Cooperage meetings about every two weeks, in between the regular HHC meetings.

Regarding the story boards for the Ice House and Gambrel Barn, the buildings have now been painted: so we are thinking of having the historical information boards installed just before our next Drive It Day, and then having an official unveiling & picnic as part of the Drive-It event. We will look at dates in June, perhaps around Saturday, June 13 or June 27.

Doug reports that just today, the storage container we have by the White Barn at Woodmont was emptied out! Thank you to Susan for making contacts to get the work done!

Karla mentioned that it would be nice to have the Gambrel Barn open twice a month in the summer, on weekend afternoons. Doug brought up that we should look into an A-frame sign to advertise out front when the Barn is open.

We also discussed the upcoming proposed subdivision on Worcester Road; this subdivision may negatively impact the historical and rural character of the neighborhood and of the Town. Karla lives

locally to the area, and said that there seems to be a lot of interest in keeping that area agricultural and natural. Many interested parties are looking into water and wildlife impact. Because there is no direct historical impact, the Heritage Commission doesn't have much of a voice in the planning of the property. The Conservation Commission, however, is involved. The application to the Planning Board has been tabled for the moment, to watch for wildlife on the land in the spring – and possibly in the summer, too. The HHC might discuss this further next month.

Meeting adjourned at 7:49pm.

Next Meeting to be held on Tuesday, February 25.

Respectfully submitted by Aurelia Perry.