

Minutes 19 Sep 2019 Heritage Commission Conference Room 237 Atlantic Avenue

Present: Jane Currivan Donna Etela, Chair Jeff Hillier

Jim Maggiore Jane Robie Cynthia Swank

Alternates: Vicki Jones, Carol Seely

Absent: Paul Cuetara, Nancy Monaghan

Also present: Bryan Kaenrath, Town Administrator

- 1. Call to Order at 9:33am. Jones to vote for Robie when Robie leaves at 10:30am.
- 2. Treasurer's Report. Deferred until Seely arrives.
- 3. Approval of Minutes. August 15, 2019 minutes approved as prepared (Robie moved, Hillier seconded).

4. Old Business

Pocket Park. Maggiore noted that there is a Rails to Trails meeting on 9/24 and suggested waiting for their update. Etela urged that they make sure the property by S.A. Dow house is part of the deal.

[Seely arrives, 9:35am]

Treasurer's Report. As of 8/30/2019 the Commission had a balance of \$5,726.49 in the TD Account, including \$5.85 in interest. There were no expenses for the month of August 2019. The operating budget remains at \$1000. (Robie moved, Currivan seconded).

CLG [Certified Local Government] Committee – LBH/Update. Jones emailed Rob Southworth asking for someone to be our liaison. Southworth indicated that Brian Goode will be in touch; Jones will follow up. Seely, Etela, Jones, Swank & Maggiore are the members working on the effort.

EDC Update. Hillier indicated that it has been clarified within the Committee that Atlantic Avenue is not part of Ironwood project. There will be three public meetings, all at Town Hall: Property owners (52 of them) 10/3/19 5-7pm; 10/10/19 business operators; and 11/6/19 residents. Monaghan had alerted Etela that the Hampton Union website had a brief article. Hillier noted that there are a number of newer members: Richard Luff, Renee Locke, David Ciccalone, and himself.

Website for HC image Files/Status. Kaenrath spoke with the Town's website vendor CivicPlus; having the Commission's image files on the town website is possible and storage space is not a problem. The Website administrator, Jan Facella, can provide HC with access to the HC pages only. HC members would have to do the work. Kaenrath will give the CivicPlus person a heads up that either Swank or Jones will be contacting him.

HC Section Master Plan- September Meeting. Jones will ask Facella to print out copies of the Historic Resources section of the Master Plan for the sub-committee. The work session is 9/23/19 at 2pm in the Executive Conference Room at Town Offices.

Rail Trail Committee. Cuetara gave his Rail to Trail notebooks to the Historical Society. Jones looked for documents relating to a 501 (c) 3 application but found nothing. Jeff Latimer has indicated that the organization still exists. Maggiore will check with Latimer, and Hillier with Scott Bogle. A 501(c) 3 organization is helpful to encourage people to make donations.

Action Items. EMMIT [Enhanced Mapping and Management Information Tool] GIS database. Maggiore visited the Division of Historical Resources again. He learned that Certified Local Governments have free access; everyone else must pay for a subscription. As the database is a resource for a number of boards and for hazard mitigation, the Town will pay for the \$100 subscription that enables three users to access the database.

5. New Business

Possible Barn Tour. Joan Ganotis of the Agricultural Commission has begun planning a barn tour next summer, possibly an Old Home Day event. She contacted John C. Porter, author of a revised edition of *Preserving Old Barns*, to learn if he would be willing to participate. The Historical Society, Heritage Commission, and Agricultural Commission would be co-sponsors, sharing in the planning, costs, and any revenues. Members voted to participate in the effort (Robie moved, Hillier seconded). Jones will inform Ganotis.

6. Next Meeting Date & Time. 10/17/19 at 9:30am.

7. Adjournment. 10:32am

Cynthia G. Swank Recording Secretary

Note: After adjournment but before anyone left Jones displayed the poster for the NHHS's Little River cemetery tour /re-enactors of notable people taking place October 19th.