

Peterborough Heritage Commission
January 8, 2015
Approved Minutes

Present: Dick Estes, Debby Kaiser, Sheila Kirkpatrick, Peggy Shaugnessey, Melissa Stephenson

Absent: Bruce Batten, Mose Olenik

Agenda Item I. GAR and Bridge Updates

- Peggy informed the commission that Rodney Bartlett will have an update on Tuesday, January 13th.
- Discussion followed re: some downtown merchants are under the (mistaken) impression that the Heritage Commission is responsible for the plan to close both lanes of the bridge during repair. It was noted that a one-lane closure at a time would result in two construction seasons worth of work vs. closing two lanes allow for one season. The Heritage Commission would like to short-stop this perception, noting this is an economic decision and does not fall under the jurisdiction of the PHC.
- Peggy reported on her conversation with wetlands scientist Sharon Monahan. There is a question as to whether or not the Selectboard and/or Planning Board has met with the DES, Shoreland Protection Agency, and Wetlands Bureau regarding plans for the land and potential parking behind the GAR Hall along the river.

Action Item: Peggy will ask Rodney when she meets with him next week.

Agenda Item II. Town Hall Photo Gallery

- Dates for a closing reception of the *Camarata* photo display and the opening of Kim Pecks photo show have been set for Friday, February 20th and First Friday March 6th.
- A sub-planning committee for these events includes Peggy, Mose, and Melissa.

Action Item: Shelia will confirm dates with Kim Peck and supply answers to her additional questions regarding content for the show, framing, etc.

Agenda Item III. Old Business

- The information on the Heritage Commission page within the Town website is sorely out of date. The PHC FaceBook presence also needs updating.

Action Item: Melissa and Peggy to contact town administrator with additions and corrections.

- The PHC Mission Statement was reviewed with plans to clarify and update the mission at the next meeting.

At 6:20 Debbie Kaiser left the meeting.

- Other towns' Heritage Commissions can be a source of inspiration and information. PHC members are encouraged to visit heritage websites of contiguous towns as well as that of the Contoocook River Association.
- The Peterborough Heritage Commission is interested in adding members to its roster.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Melissa Stephenson