

Town of Peterborough Heritage Commission Minutes of the Meeting of April 10, 2014

Mission Statement: The Peterborough Heritage Commission's mission is to protect Our Town's architectural, historical and cultural heritage in order to sustain the spirit of the community and its economic vitality for the benefit of future generations. "Like" us on Facebook!

In Attendance: T. Ward; D. Estes; D. Kaiser; M. Olenik; M. Stephenson; P. Shaughnessy
Absent: A. Cadwell; S. Kirkpatrick

Meeting called to order by T. Ward at 5:40pm.

Members congratulated Dick Estes on the publication of his new book, *The Gnu's World*.

Mose gave a reminder regarding the upcoming Vision Forum, April 11 and 12, 2014 and noted that members of the Vision planning committee will be allowed to ask questions but are not to speak out or express their opinions at this event.

Tyler and Debbie provided an update on the 432 Brush Brook Road project and reported on meeting with Stephen Froling and others. The buildings will not be saved but Stephen was willing to consider demolition bids that involve salvaging materials. Tyler met with owner, Joe DeRisi, of Urban Miners, a CT salvage company that guarantees 85-90% salvage of materials. Joe did not make bid in time and contract was given to local demolition company.

T. Ward reported that Scott Farrar is moving forward with brochure and he will be a signatory for the Memoranda of Agreement between SF and Rural Development.

T. Ward also reported that he met with Rodney, Fash and Michelle at Monadnock Center for History and Cultural and that they hope to have an APP for walking tour of Peterborough ready by the 275th anniversary. Tracy Messer had presented several options for walking tour apps and the group decided to go with "Field Trip" for this particular event since it exists and people coming to town may already have it on their phones.

Members discussed ideas for next photo exhibit in gallery which will be displayed from June 1 to Aug 31st focusing on Farming. Andrea already has several photos. The next exhibit from Sept 1st to Nov 30th will focus on cemeteries and grave stones with William Diamond included. May open display to include work of other photographers and make use of photos from Monadnock Center for History and Culture.

Discussed having a presence at Greenerborough, Saturday, May 3rd. D. Kaiser, T. Ward, and M. Stephenson agreed to form a subcommittee to set up schedule and materials to present The Heritage Commission's Mission at this event. Tyler suggested providing/handing out information regarding Barn easements, RSA 79D. Discussion ensued regarding the lengthy process involved. D. Estes shared that he had investigated this possibility and found that the result of monetary gain was minimal and the paperwork burdensome. P. Shaughnessy suggested that we may need to know more about the process before encouraging people to apply.

T. Ward stated that he was approached by Marcia Patten, chair of the library's Board of Trustees, who is asking for assistance from The Heritage Commission in applying for the National Register. Mose agreed to contact Marcia and ask for clarification regarding type of assistance needed. P. Shaughnessy agreed to assist with this project.

Discussed need to gather more information regarding downtown properties that may be eligible National Register as this may be a badge of honor for our community.

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Peggy Shaughnessy, Secretary