

Peterborough Heritage Commission

Approved Minutes November 9, 2017 5:30 p.m.

Present: Bruce Batten; Tina Rapp; Peggy Shaughnessy; Melissa Stephenson; Doug Ward

Absent: Richard Estes; Debby Kaiser; Tyler Ward, *Select board liaison*

Also present: Contractor Brad Quimby

Peggy Shaughnessy opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

I. Demolition Committee

- Peggy read an email from Debbie Kaiser expressing concern over lead paint in so many of the older buildings in town. General discussion followed about how the costs of removing lead-based paint is more expensive than demolition.
- Brad Quimby, the contractor for the demolition of the Fritz barn on Union Street, spoke with the commissioners about the plans for this property. The barn is not worth the investment of \$60K though they are saving and recycling what materials they can. There is no need for a public forum for this demolition.
- Kim Peck will take photos of the barn for display in the Fritz office.
- The Demolition Committee was in general agreement that this permit does not need to go through the public review process.

- Dario Carrara attended the meeting briefly.
- He suggested the PHC get the Rite Aid address from the town records in order to request information regarding their plans for their property on the east side of route 202 South across from Our Town Market, where the last remaining residence stands.
- Brief mention was made about Agway's agricultural equipment sprawl along 202.
- Doug Ward to talk with Achilles about maintaining the greenway approach into town.

Centennial Celebration

- Members briefly discussed the Monadnock Museum of History and Culture questionnaire requesting information for the next time capsule.
- The PHC will mount a new photography exhibit in February and plans for a modest catered event and inviting all town residents.
- Peggy and Tina will visit MMCH and work with director Michelle Stahl to chronicle in photographs the evolution of Peterborough from an agriculture base to today's more modern iteration.

Community Center Mural

- Peggy will mention the Community Center's NH HoneyBee mural to Julie Doane who teaches the first grade "Honeybees" at Mountain Shadows School.
- Melissa noted she is still seeking a fiscal agent for this project and that the Commission should not further consider handling of any funds for this.

Treasurer Position

- Melissa offered to fill the Treasurer's position, providing her duties as secretary are covered.
- Peggy will ask Mose for a copy of the most recent PHC financial statement.

October 2017 Minutes

Motion:

- Peggy made a motion to accept the October 2017 minutes.
- Doug Ward seconded.
- All approved and Melissa will submit them to the town.

New Business / Old Business

Yates' house

- In order to follow up on the plans for, and use of, state capital budget funds to improve the Old Street Road property, Peggy will ask Rodney for the name of the department architect for the NH Division of Historical Resources.
- There was a question as to whether or not there are any time limits on using the funds.

Heritage Commission Stationery

There is a need for a small supply of correspondence material.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Melissa Stephenson, *Peterborough Heritage Commission*

The next meeting of the PHC is Thursday, December 14, 2017, 5:30 p.m.