

Weare Heritage Commission
May 23, 2012
Final Minutes

Present: Vice Chair, George Malette; John McCausland, John Lawton, Betty Straw, and Secretary Meg Malette.

Excused: Tanya Krajcik

John McCausland made a motion to approve the April minutes as amended, George seconded the motion. Minutes were approved, as amended. John L. abstained.

George appointed Betty Straw as a full member for this meeting.

Peaslee Road Bridge – We received an email from DOT to explain, in detail, what we would like for the mitigation with regard to a booklet on the history of the bridge and its surroundings. George shared the background details of why we are offered a mitigation. John and Betty will review the history of the bridge, prepared by the NHDHR. John asked for the possible cost of the booklet. He doesn't want the town to be responsible for the payment of the booklet. George explained that Historic Mitigation is a budgeted part of the Peaslee Bridge project and that we would work within the limits of that budget.

The General John Stark Scenic Byway Council – Is considering sponsoring “Getting Started with Your Historic Building.” presented by the NH Division of Historic Resources. This workshop may take place in Weare. George Malette is heading up this project for the Byway Council.

Clinton Grove Historic District (CGHD)– John McCausland gave some background on how this historic district was formed to the new members. John then informed the HC that after his discussion with a CGHD resident that this would not be a good time to have a discussion with the Historic District residents about corrections to the Weare Zoning Book.

The Picataquog River Management Plan and Watershed Conversation Plan are being reviewed by the Planning Board and Conservation Commission for consideration for adoption to the Weare Master Plan. The language in these Plans recommends the protection of cultural and historical resources.

The Heritage Commission acts as an advisory board for historic and cultural issues in the town. The selectmen discussed this at their last meeting.

The HC will be invited by the BOS to participate in the Clinton Grove discussions. A (BOS) Board of Selectmen Meeting to visit Clinton Grove is planned for June 4 at 6:30 PM.

Jerry Little would like to show the HC the cellar holes in the Eastman Conservation land. George would like to do GPS markings of the cellar holes. This will be discussed at the next meeting with regard to when this will occur.

A change of time was discussed for the HC meetings. The suggestions were to keep our existing date but change the time to 7pm or 6:30pm as a default or to change the date and time to the 4th Tuesday at 6:30 PM.

The next meeting is Wednesday, June 27th @ 6pm.

Respectfully submitted, Meg Malette.