

HAVERHILL HERITAGE COMMISSION

Minutes – Thursday, May 27, 2010 – James Morrell Building, North Haverhill, NH

Attending: Jim Hobbs, Dick Ekwall, Bruce Simonds, Scott Moody, Carolyn Byrne and guest, Sara Caven Absent: Duane Baxter, Wayne Fortier, Karen Griswold

Chairman Jim Hobbs called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Jim stated Duane Baxter has resigned from the Commission and had received his letter of resignation.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved as written.

Jim reported there is \$4862.12 in the treasury.

The members welcomed new member, Scott Moody. His wife, Wendy, writes for J.O. – they both love the local history and architecture of the area. They are currently restoring their house on Cromwell Ave. Scott is a trained economist.

The meeting was turned over to Sara Caven of the Upper Valley Land Trust. She explained easements, management plans and land trust responsibilities. Work on the Hazen site, such as, mapping, title search, easement work, etc., by UVLT would be a charge to us...a few thousand, probably, but has been as high as \$10M, depending on the situation. We would have to contribute to the Stewardship Endowment Fund in the amount of \$5000, but some of this amount could come from the Mitigation & Enhancement Fund, a N.H. charitable fund. The Stewardship is responsible for defending and protecting easements. UVLT is concerned with auto access to Hazen Park area and that it would become a “party area” and “dumping zone”. They are more comfortable with river only access or walking trail. Sara will send pertinent information to Jim regarding easements, etc.

Caboose Discussion:

Jim is going to Northfield to look at fully restored B&M caboose – doesn’t know selling price ... will report back later.

Restoring our current caboose is problematic due to lead paint. We need to consult a painter/contractor about the legal way to approach this project. Jim will talk with Cummings Construction for advice and Dick will contact person in Littleton who owns a restored caboose for advise on how to begin our project.

Scott is going to check on EPA lead restrictions to see if they apply to this project.

Dick will purchase a gallon of Tomato Orange paint to do street side of caboose – volunteers to paint are wanted. The other side of the caboose has serious damage to contend with and will be dealt with in days to come.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn A. Byrne, Secretary, pro tem