

HVERHILL HERITAGE COMMISSION

Minutes – Thursday, June 24, 2010 – James Morrell Building, North Haverhill, NH

Attending: Jim Hobbs, Dick Ekwall, Karen Griswold, Scott Moody, and Bruce Simonds

Absent: Wayne Fortier

Jim Hobbs, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

The minutes of the May 27th meeting of the Commission were approved as written.

There is no report on the treasury of the Commission at this time.

Jim has asked Scott Moody to become the Commission's Treasurer and to be the temporary secretary for the summer. He has accepted. Karen voted to approve him in the positions, and Dick seconded the vote.

Discussion followed re. the Hazen site. The Commission has decided to table the work with the Upper Valley Land Trust at this time because of the costs involved. A vote was made by Scott and seconded by Bruce to verify the above.

The Hazen Park Mission statement presented by Jim Hobbs was voted on and a copy was placed in the HHC file and a copy is attached to these minutes. Motion made by Carolyn and seconded by Karen to accept the plan and follow through on it.

Jim showed the bids from Foggs, Oakes Brothers and Budget Lumber for the wood needed to repair the caboose. Since Budget was the least expensive, Jim will call them to set up a time to make the delivery to the site.

Discussion followed re. the paint and painting supplies that will be needed for the caboose. It was decided that the Commission will purchase those materials out of its own funds. However, bids will be put out for the repair of the windows and the roof of the caboose.

Fundraisers – Dick will work on designing buttons to sell and Carolyn will work on selling Jim Hobbs book, *Coos Country*.

Carolyn asked that we finish the kiosk in Railroad Park. A storyboard is needed re. John Woods, and more information on Woodsville as a railroad town. She will work with Jim to get some materials put into the kiosk for people to read.

Jim is still interested in developing the historical sites within Railroad Park.

For clarification to all, meetings of the Haverhill Heritage Commission will be held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on July 29.

With no further business to be discussed, Bruce moved we adjourn. This was seconded by Carolyn. The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted, Karen Griswold, Secretary

****** The Hazen Mission Statement reads as follows.....**

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To establish a town park at the Hazen property

Goals:

1. To preserve the historic value of the property
2. To offer recreational and ceremonial facilities.
3. Create community involvement.
4. Offer awareness program.

Strategies:

1. Protect and identify the original foundations
2. Work with the parks and recreation department for synergy
3. Work with civic groups to encourage use of the park
4. Create a means to familiarize the community with the Hazen history
5. Erect story boards with history and photos.

Tasks:

1. Name the park
>>> HAZEN PARK (approved)
2. Get approval from TM English and the Select Board
>>> (approved)
3. Create Right-of-way
4. Create parking lot
5. Clear underbrush and knot weed
a) clear underbrush ... approved HHC-002
b) ask fire dept. to burn
c) cut trees ... offer fire wood?
6. Ask to lease so. triangle from Mr. Knox
>>> agreed as long as no liability
7. Scoop no., so, and east lines for fencing
a) Richard Patten has agreed to donate his tractor & time
8. Purchase and install fence (**under advisement**)
a) when?
b) \$1800 fence Agway
c) \$500. installed (Reg. 800-900)
9. Make markers and memory board
10. Clear and fence around cellar
11. Clear and make canoe/kayak entrance
12. Make picnic tables
13. Make outlook deck
14. Make gravel area with tent-pole tubes 100'x 40'
a) check tent sizes and stake locations
15. Clear the walking paths
16. Till and plant grass seed in fall
17. Create a volunteer list for maintenance
18. Install signs around corn areas
19. Make rules signs
20. Assign member duties
21. Make story boards