

HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING

Wednesday, 15 January 2014

Present: Marilou MacLean; Harriet Wilson; Brian Robischeau; and Rich Zacher.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Marilou MacLean.

Craig Evans is working on the possibility of a genealogical workshop/seminar in the spring.

The Veteran's Day potluck supper was held on Saturday, November 9, in the Town House. 38 to 40 people attended and the supper netted \$80. There was a lot of food and a good variety, and the band made an excellent presentation.

School House: Marilou reported that Phase One of the project, the floor joists, foundation, and footings, has been completed. The heating units have been removed. Phase Two, which will include removing the dropped ceiling, and removing the walls down to the wainscoting will be put out to bid this week. Bids will be opened Thursday, January 23. The Selectmen hope the work can be completed, with the new utility room and heating systems done by Town Meeting. Chalkboards will be removed and replaced once the wall work is complete. The wood stove will remain in the building, but will be moved to the back of the room near the chimney. Windows will be replaced with thermopane windows, vinyl on the outside and wood on the inside. Grills to make the windows 6 panes over 6 will be inside the windows (also wood if possible).

In order to do this work, the School House needs to be emptied of furniture, books, and other artifacts. Most will be stored in the Town House; Lance MacLean will move the piano. Marilou & Harriet will check the building on Saturday, January 18, to mark what fixtures need to be kept. Marilou will get boxes for storing the books. This emptying of the School House needs to be completed by February 3.

Marilou reported that we received the grant from Meredith Village Savings Bank for \$7500 for a handicapped accessible bathroom.

TRAC: Harriet reported that the work on the multi-use trail from Rte 16 to Clark Road will begin on May 1. People have been pleased with the first section of the trail and it has been well-used. Donations are still coming in.

Brian is seeking input about the Veterans' Memorial in the following areas:

- Criteria for inclusion; just names, or add branch of service?
- Material: Granite, brass plates, stone, etc

- Style
- Location

He will have pictures and sketches available at Town Meeting for discussion.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, February 12, at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Harriet Wilson