

HERITAGE COMMISSION MEETING -- Town Office Building

Wednesday, 15 May 2019

The meeting was called to order by Marilou MacLean at 6:05 pm. Also present were Brian Robischeau, Bob & Karen Servacek, Harriet Wilson, Susan Raban, Jay Badger, and Rich Zacher. The minutes of the April 17 meeting were approved unanimously.

Harriet moved to elect Marilou for another term on the Heritage Commission; Brian seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Harriet then moved to elect Marilou as chair; Bob seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Marilou moved to accept Susan as an Alternate member of the Commission; that selection was also unanimous.

Information to go on the Town website about our 225 celebration was discussed. The answers to the quiz will be added. Marilou asked Rich if the Town homepage could include a reference to the celebration, directing folks to the Heritage Commission page. Bob & Marilou will cooperate in creating a piece on Frank Hutchins to go on the website

Bob has been in touch with members of the Hutchins family and there will be some members present at the event on June 29th. Bob was able to see the bell located at the former St. Cecilia's Church in Wolfeboro that is now owned by Brewster Academy. Bob is also trying to get in to see the bell at the First Christian Church in Wolfeboro. It is thought that Frank Hutchins donated all three bells.

Karen will create a poster for the June 29th re-dedication of the bell which will be distributed in the area. Marilou reported that 175 purple coneflowers have been potted and will be available for sale by then (\$5 each or 5 for \$20). Frank Frazier's cost for the flowers will be minimal. The new pewter medallions should be available as well. Refreshments will include lemonade and cookies of the period (like gingersnaps). The Town House and the Churchill Schoolhouse are both in the process of being re-sided and painted. It is hoped that it will be done by June 29th!

Marilou is presenting "Heritage Moments" at selectmen's meetings; these will also be posted on the website and included as part of the meeting minutes. Bob distributed two stories of Brookfield he has compiled: "The Murder of Susan A Hanson" and "Langdon Brown and His Burial Ground". We may be able to use the pine in front of

the Town Office Building for a Town Christmas tree as discussed at the April meeting.

Upcoming events:

June 29: Re-creation of the Town Bell dedication, 2:00 pm

July 28: Ice Cream Social, 3:00 pm

Biggest Tree contest - deadline for entering will be 2 weeks before the BarBQ

To be determined: Town BarBQ (dependent on Rick Surette)

Marilou is having trouble getting a sign for the front of the buildings to indicate our 225th Anniversary without spending a lot of money, Harriet suggested contacting the local Pepsi distributor that does them for free. Marilou will write an article for next week's Granite State News with the schedule so far with our events listed. There will also be an article listing all our activities in the newsletter that goes out with the tax bills in June. Susan suggested possibly doing a mailing of either a letter or post card to all Brookfield residents giving them our calendar of events.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm. The next meeting will be Wednesday, June 19, at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Harriet Wilson, Recorder