

APPROVED ON NOVEMBER 21, 2019

Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes
Londonderry, New Hampshire
September 26, 2019

In attendance: Chairman Krystopher Kenney; Vice-Chairman Art Rugg; Commissioners, David Colglazier, Victoria Gorveatt; Alternate Commissioners Jason Knights and Snehal Patel; Associate Planner Laura Gandia.

Absent: Commissioners, Tom Bianchi, Sue Joudrey & Town Council Ex-officio Jim Butler.

Chairman Krystopher Kenney called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM in the Sunnycrest Meeting Room of the Town Hall.

Chairman Krystopher Kenney appointed Alternate Commissioner Jason Knights to vote for Commissioner Joudrey and Alternate Commissioner Snehal Patel to vote for Commissioner Bianchi.

Vice-Chairman Rugg moved and Alternate Commissioner Knights seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the July 25th meeting of the Heritage Commission. The motion carried 6-0-0.

Chairman Kenney announced that there were no Design Reviews and no Staff Reports. Mr. Kenney then said that we would move onto the agenda item of the annual report for the New Hampshire Division of Historic Resources (NHDHR).

Planner Gandia then said that she had compiled a list of the actions taken by the Commission over the last year with regards to the NHDHR report. Planner Gandia enumerated the Design Applications, Site Plan Reviews, Subdivision Plans, Certificates of Approval and Lot Line Adjustments that were before the Commission for the report. Ms Gandia included that the Commission had adopted Rules of Procedure. She said that the Commission had worked on Kent Allen Forest activities. The report asked for constraints for the Commission and she reported that they were mostly financial at the moment. Ms Gandia was also including in the Future Goals section the Commission's desire to update the Inventory of Historic Structures.

It was noted that there should be someone from the NHDHR at the next meeting to discuss applications for grants to support some of the Commissions activities.

Vice-Chairman Rugg said that it would be good to be able to hire someone to gather the information about the historic houses in much the same way that it was done for the current inventory. Mr. Rugg said that some of the criteria used before was: being 100 years old, having 75% original exterior design and/or having some historic significance.

Commissioner Colglazier gave some Historic Significance criteria to structures where an important person may have lived, a structure that fits well into a cluster of historic houses, a structure that might be designed by a well-known architect, a structure where a significant event happened, a structure with unusual or advanced features or a structure that may have a lot of its interior finishes that are original to when it was built.

Vice-Chairman Rugg spoke about some of the 300th Anniversary functions that took place recently involving Londonderry, Derry and Windham.

Planner Gandia distributed copies of a brief report about the work on the Town Common from John Trottier.

Planner Gandia said that there was going to be an official opening of the Girls Scout story plaques in the Allen Forest on Saturday the 28th. She had distributed copies of a banner design that was to be used for the opening.

Planner Gandia distributed a copy of a three-page report from David Ellis about the property at #2 Litchfield Road.

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Chairman Kenney said that he was not completely pleased with the figures painted in the windows at the barn at 2 Litchfield Road. He thought that 2 were excellent and two not so great.

Chairman Kenney said that this was time for public input on the agenda, but the public was absent.

Commissioner Colglazier said that there was a report about the Musquash and the property sites. It is quite detailed and was authored by David Ellis. He said that the Historical Society has the reports for sale.

Vice-Chairman Rugg moved and Commissioner Gorveatt seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion carried 6-0-0 at 7:28 PM.

David Lee Colglazier,
Secretary