

**HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES
TOWN OF DEERFIELD**

June 21, 2011

Members present: Jim Deely, Kelly Roberts, Sienna Larson, Carol Levesque, Hony Hoague, Fran Menard

Guests Present: Sara Larson

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

Review of Minutes:

The April 19, 2011 Minutes were accepted as written by consensus.

Review of Financials:

Kelly Rpberts presented the report as of June 14, 2011

Heritage Fund - \$2,694.79; Town Hall Accessibility Fund - \$7,596.33

Budget figures were available as follows: \$200. remaining on hand after \$100 expenditure for the Curtains Without Borders Survey and Treatment Proposal.

Old Business:

Stage tapestry in Town Hall

Jim and Fran provided the background information on Christine Hadsel, Director of Curtains Without Borders, Inc. (Preserving Historic Painted Scenery) inspecting the Town Hall stage curtain when she was in the area on May 10th. The Town had registered the Town Hall curtain for this program in 2010. Mark Tibbetts enlisted the help of the Highway Dept. in moving the curtain from storage in the back stairway to the upstairs floor. On reading Ms. Hadsel's initial report of her inspection of the theatre drape and scenery, Jim Deely, Hony Hoague, Kelly Roberts and Fran Menard agreed that Heritage Commission should fund the \$100 fee for a comprehensive survey and treatment proposal to conserve and reinstall (or prepare for display) the grand drape and pair of double hinge woodland flats scenery. The cost estimate provided for repair and restoration was \$3,625. After discussion and review by those present it was decided to respond to Curtains Without Borders that we will be looking into funding possibilities, and to request a time line for the cost estimate.

Historian/Editor for web page

There was considerable discussion of the web page and the need for editing and addition of current information. Jim suggested combining this activity with Mel Graykin's contribution of quarterly articles about Deerfield history. Sienna mentioned the importance of posting resources for improvements/repairs to historical buildings on the website as well. Jim will discuss this proposal with Mel and report on her response.

Motion It was moved by Sienna and seconded by Hony to allocate \$400 to pay Mel Graykin on a quarterly basis (\$100 per quarter) to write articles and post information and content on the website that will promote the Heritage Commission mission. **Unanimous vote in favor of the Motion.**

Community Outreach

There was general discussion of coordination/cooperation with the Historical Society and involvement with programs at the school, e.g. John Flagg's cemetery research with his classes, participation with the annual school walk up through the Parade where we could point out sites of historical importance.

New Business:

Community Landmark Series

Jim brought up a project in Moultonborough on early industry (agriculture, shoemaking, etc.) which could also tie in with Historical Society program lectures.

The next Meeting Date was approved as scheduled for August 16th, 2011

There being no further business, the meeting **Adjourned** at 7:50 PM.

Minutes submitted by

Fran Menard, Secretary

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