

Wakefield Heritage Commission
February 20, 2008 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7:00, pm by Pam Judge, Chairman

Members Present

Pam Judge, Snooky Shea, Peter Brown, John Waitner and Kelly Shea

Minutes

Peter made a motion to accept minutes from the February 6 meeting. John seconded. Motion was unanimous.

Financials

Revenue equals \$19,735.39 and the Heritage Fund equals \$21,066.69. Balance for the last day of the year is \$50,768.45. Pam will follow up with the bookkeeper about funds for expense sheet. There is a possible double entry. Peter made a motion to accept financials to be placed on file. John seconded. Motion was unanimous.

Correspondence

Pam e-mailed Jim Garvin, the State Architectural Historian, about the appropriate way to do the ceiling at Spinney Meeting House, the Union Station windows, the Town Hall and Wakefield Corner. He viewed pictures and was able to make some recommendations.

Union Station

The building permit has been pulled, the siding has been removed and the Tyvek is underway. Pam spoke with Bill Gaver. He is very interested in the project and is happy to be used as a resource. He has some B&M material for possible use.

Pictures

Bill Judge has digitalized the photographs borrowed from town residents.

Canal Application

The Commission reviewed the application for state register. Peter will make any necessary changes and form a letter.

Pride Day

Pam has arranged for the plaques featuring the Grange Hall to be ordered through Fernwoods, with a minimum count of 120. Prices were discussed. Pam brought the train set sold by Narrow Gauge RR in Portland. The Commission will recreate it and use this as a fund raiser, possibly adding one per year to form a set.

Spinney Meeting House

Pam and Peter attended the open house at Judy Levis' on February 11. In regard to restoration, there was a discussion about putting a bid package together concerning the ceiling reconstruction. In the past, the board voted to restore the building to its pre-electrification period; prior to 1930. The Commission voted unanimously not to insulate at this time.

Grange Hall

The Commission needs to work on getting a paint bid.

Permit Officer

Pam made an appointment to meet with the Wakefield Permit Officer. She gave him a copy of

Interior Guidelines for Rehabilitation and recommendations from Jim Garvin regarding the wooden windows at Union Station and the plywood at the Town Hall.

New Business

The Plan NH Program has sent an Application for Design Assistance to ask for the Commission's help with designing a 'gateway' to the town. The Commission was unanimously in favor of writing a letter of support.

Vote 'yes' to article #7 to add new members to the board.

Signs

The illuminated OPEN signs within the Garvin Building are still on. Pam will follow up on this.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45, pm

Next meeting will be Wednesday, March 5 at 7:00, pm

Submitted by Kelly Shea