

Wakefield Heritage Commission
August 6, 2008 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:45, pm

Members Present

John Waitner, Kelly Shea, Snooky Shea, Connie Twombly, Nancy Bancroft and Joe Brejwo

Guests Present

Philip Twombly

Minutes

The Commission was unable to go over the minutes from the July 16, 2008 meeting. We will do this at our August 20th meeting.

Financial

Warrants are to be signed for the Commission's annual NEMA dues, which are \$75.00, a bill from Longmeadow Hardware and PSNH.

Also, warrants are to be signed to pay Aaron Marinel from Aaron's Painting, Jim Perkins for his work plastering the ceiling of Spinney Meeting House (which will be complete this week) and to pay Spiderblue Painting for work on the gutters. Payment will be held until Jim Hall, of Spiderblue, can come back to look at a leaky gutter.

Pam deposited \$60.00 for the plaques and \$2,360.00 from Friends of Spinney.

Correspondence

Pam has constructed a memo entitled *All Aboard for Restoration*. It describes the work that has been done thus far on Union Station, inside and out. It states that we are working toward completion for the 100th anniversary which is coming up in 2011. The memo asks for volunteers to help out, for donated or loaned museum items and for monetary help. The Commission discussed the different donation levels and values.

The Chief of Police, Kenneth Fifield, has written a letter to Commissioner Campell in regard to the 35 MPH speed limit through the Wakefield Village Historical District. It states that the roadway is "residential, narrow and heavily traveled." He requests that the speed limit be lowered to 30 MPH to make travel through the district safer.

Terry Gannom, of Acton, ME, sent along a photograph of his caboos with plow for the Commission members to see and discuss. The members are pleased and are looking forward to bringing the caboos to rest on site at Heritage Park.

Heritage Day

Food

Duties have been split up among the members and others. Hot dogs, buns, potato chips, soda, salads and condiments are taken care of and some donations were made. The Commission talked about the items that will be sold, how many of these items to buy, etc. Snooky will bring a grill. Kelly will bring gloves for food preparation.

Roundtable

The members discussed possible questions that could be asked of the men at the roundtable, for example, questions about the signals and the interior and exterior lights. The members also discussed who would be at the roundtable and what their jobs on the railroad were.

Terry gannom will be at Heritage Day with his own table complete with items, pictures, etc.

Snooky has the telegraph machine up and working. He will demonstrate how the machine works and explain morse code.

The schedule for the day's events has been finalized.

One or two put puts will be there, but no rides can be given.

Brian Baxter may bring his ice cream truck, weather permitting. He stated that some of the proceeds will be donated.

Publicity

Pam has posted three articles about Heritage Day in three different local newspapers.

The Commission discussed how many flyers were put up in the community and where.

Some of the Commission members came to Union Station one hour prior to the meeting to clean and to help get things organized and ready for the weekend's event. Duties that were completed include the washing of the windows, cleaning of the bathroom, etc.

Philip Twombly and Bill Judge have volunteered many hours and several days this past week in preparing the station and grounds for Heritage Day. Thank you. Also, thank you Joe Brejwo, Nancy Bancroft and Pam Judge for volunteering your time this week, as well.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10, pm

The next meeting will be on August 20, 2008 at 7:00, pm at .

Submitted by Kelly Shea