

Nov. 17, 2010

The meeting was opened at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members present: Rod, Joe, Phil, John, Snooky and Pam.

Guest: Rick Sager and Bill Judge.

The minutes of Oct 20, 2010 was reviewed. Rod made the motion to accept the minutes and Joe seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Website: Joe is taking pictures of all the houses in the Historic District. Rod made a motion to extend the hosting of the web site for two more years. Joe seconded. All in favor. Rod made a motion to use the credit card, up to \$80.00 for the hosting. John seconded. All in favor.

Freight House: No work has started yet. The rail has been moved from Turntable Park to the Freight house by the Public works crew. But the rails were put in the wrong place. Bill Judge and Phil will move all the rail.

Station: Rod made a motion to sell 5 steam radiators and keep 1. John seconded. All in favor. Rod made a motion to remove all steam pipes, boiler, and hot water tank and sell to highest bidder. John seconded. All in favor.

Rick Sager, Town Attorney, was introduced and began by explaining the current ordinance regarding the Historic District and the Heritage Commission. The only change in the ordinance was the one made in March 2009 when the voters increased the board membership to seven members and five alternates. Everyone had a chance to ask questions and give their opinion. In the end, Rick suggested we look at Article 10 for possible rewriting. We could look at rules and procedures from other towns for ideas. He also suggested that we consider elements that we can agree on as exempt from requiring a hearing and those that are not. He felt we should take our time in considering changes and involve the residents of the Historic District. A check list of ten questions could be developed. He felt we might have this done by May as we are very busy in the summer. Any changes to the article would have to go before the Town for a vote.

Rod mad a motion that Joe and John continue the work they began in creating a list of exempt and non-exempt items for discussion at the next meeting. It was decided by consensus to have them do this.

Meeting closed at 9pm.