Candia Heritage Commission

Approved Minutes of February 11, 2010

Attendance:

Present: Diane Philbrick, Carleton Robie, Christine Dupere, Ron Thomas.

Sarah Giles (alt), Carol Howe (alt), Betty Sabean (alt)

Absent: Ray Cresswell, Ken Madden, Jim Lindsey,

The meeting was called to order by Chair, Diane Philbrick at 7:34 PM Alternates: Betty Sabean, Carol Howe and Sarah Giles were seated as voting members.

1. Minutes:

The minutes of January 14, 2010 were corrected and approved on a motion by Chris Dupere, a second by Sarah Giles and a unanimous vote of those present.

2: Membership and terms:

Jim Lindsey has submitted his resignation to Diane Philbrick. Diane will forward Jim's resignation to the Board of Selectmen. Diane also noted that two other members are currently in a holdover status and need to submit letters to the Board of Selectmen. The Commission then discussed the vacancy resulting from the Jim Lindsey resignation and determined that Betty Sabean be recommended to the Board of Selectmen for appointment as a Commissioner.

3. Annual Report:

Diane Philbrick has submitted the annual report of the Commission for inclusion in the 2009 Town Report.

4. Smyth Building:

Historic Plaque: A subcommittee of the Commission met and made a final determination for the location of the historic marker on the Smyth building. Carleton Robie will have the marker installed as soon as the weather is appropriate.

Next step: The Board of Selectmen determined not to submit a warrant article regarding future uses of the Smyth building as they would prefer to deal with that question as a Board.

5. East Candia:

Boyd Chivers submitted proposed wording for a State Historic Marker. It was noted that the available space limited the wording to considerably fewer words than proposed. Alternate wording was discussed. Sarah Giles will review the wording and report to our next meeting. Boyd Chivers also provided a bibliography for submittal with the marker application. Boyd will revise the wording of the marker petition and submit the wording for review at the March meeting. Boyd Chivers and Betty Sabean circulated pictures of East Candia.

Walking tour project

Sarah Giles and Betty Sabean have been working on the wording for the East Candia walking tour.

6. Time Capsule:

Ron Thomas asked if anyone knew the size of the copper box (time capsule) buried "under" the Soldiers Monument? No one responded, however, someone thought John Gunnerson might have an answer.

7. 250th update:

After a discussion regarding funding of Semiquincentennial Committee activities Betty Sabean moved that the Commission request that the Fitts Museum Foundation be requested to act as the fiscal agent for the committee. As such gifts for the purpose of the Semiquincentennial will be held available for the committee and will be tax deductible to the contributors to the extent permitted by the IRS. The motion was seconded by Chris Dupere and adopted by unanimous vote. Ron Thomas will carry the request to the Fitts Museum Foundation.

8. Town wide spring clean up and NH Beautiful Bonus:

Diane Philbrick will submit the application for daffodils for the town wide cleanup. Diane will follow up with the annual road side cleanup program. Diane suggested the Commission think about an "adopt-a-road" concept to keep Candia's roadsides picked up.

9. NH Preservation Alliance:

Diane Philbrick noted that it is time to renew our membership in the NH Preservation Alliance. All agreed and Diane will submit the membership request to the Board of Selectmen Diane subsequently collected individual membership fees for Commission members.

10. Barbara Jester newspaper articles:

Members of the commission participated in reviewing old copies of the <u>Goffstown</u> <u>News</u> in search of articles related to Candia's history written by Barbara Jester.

Next Meeting March 11, 2010 at 7:30 PM in the Town Office meeting room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM

Respectfully submitted Ron Thomas Secretary