Candia Heritage Commission

Approved Minutes of March 10, 2011

Attendance:

Present: Diane Philbrick, Carleton Robie (Selectmen's Rep), Ray Cresswell, Christine Dupere, Ron Thomas. Sarah Giles (alt.), Carol Howe (alt.). Mimi Alberu (alt.)

Absent: Betty Sabean, Ken Madden

Guest: Dick Snow, Peter Michaud (NHDHR), Deborah Gagne (NHDHR) The meeting was called to order by Chair, Diane Philbrick at 7:31 PM

Alternate: Carol Howe and Sarah Giles were seated as voting members.

Smyth Memorial Building:

Diane Philbrick introduced Peter Michaud and Deborah Gagne both present as representatives of the New Hampshire Division of Historic Resources (NHDHD). They provide technical assistance for properties on the National Register. Prior to the meeting they viewed the Smyth Memorial Building to provide assistance with the proposed assessment and scope of work for the rehabilitation of the building. Peter Michaud noted that the better we understand the defining character of the building the better we will be able to work with an architect to achieve a rehabilitation that meets the requirements for future grant eligibility. Peter Michaud offered, and the Commission accepted, to return to Candia in the near future to discuss with the Commission the character defining features of the Smyth Memorial Building.

Deborah Gagne summarized the Moose Grant program. A maximum of \$10K per grant with no match required. These grants could be used for specific targeted portions of the project. The grants are very competitive but she encourages the town to submit. Deadline for Moose grants is in March of each year. There are also LCHIP grants which could be used for major (over 10K) projects.

Peter Michaud again stressed that the consultants recommendations must be consistent with the Secretary of the Interiors guidelines in order to qualify for future grants.

Peter Michaud made an appointment to return for additional discussion with the Commission on Tuesday April, 19th. at 9:00AM

Minutes:

The minutes of the February 10th meeting were approved as corrected on a motion by Carleton Robie and a second by Sarah Giles and a unanimous vote of those present.

Membership and Officers:

Not addressed

Energy Audit:

Monday at 9AM at the town hall, Eric Halter of CFL Ventures Inc. and Mary Brundage of Southern NH Planning commission will meet with the Heritage commission to discuss what assistance the Smyth Building project could receive from Energy Technical Assistance & Planning For New Hampshire Communities (ETAP).

Scope of Work Smyth Memorial Building:

No changes were made to the draft scope of work. We will discuss it again after Peter Michaud sends information regarding the Secretary of the Interior's requirements.

Barns:

Given the absence of Ken Madden the assignments for Barn preservation reviews was deferred until the next meeting. It was noted that the repairs to the Decker barn have been completed.

Roadside Cleanup:

Chris Dupere provided the groupings for the cleanup. Lists were discussed. New volunteers should contact Chris Dupere to get an assigned location. (At the meeting of 3/14/11 the Candia Board of Selectmen, Chuck Whitcher, Facility Operator agreed to make a table available for those who wish to separate collected recyclables otherwise the Board of Selectmen approved placing the collected trash in the dumpster without recycling.) Roadside pickups will begin with the melting of the snow and end by April 30th. Members please contact people on your list as soon as possible, collect their agreement to participate and their email address. Please ask volunteers to report back to you when complete.

Other business:

NH Preservation Alliance will hold their biennial conference on April 8, 2011 in Manchester. Link below for information

http://www.nhpreservation.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&i d=37&Itemid=158

Diane Philbrick would like two representatives to attend please contact Diane if you are willing.

Heritage Walk did not happen – Diane Philbrick asks that we keep an open mind. **Semiquincentennial** committee will be meeting **Thursday March 31st at 7:00PM** in the town hall meeting room.

Next meeting – Thursday **April 14, 2011, 7:30 PM** at the town office meeting room. Peter Michaud - Tuesday April 19, 2011 at the Smyth Memorial Building

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM Respectfully submitted Ron Thomas Secretary