

Candia Heritage Commission Meeting
13 September 2012, Minutes

Present: Chair, Diane Philbrick, Carmelle Druchniak, Ray Cresswell, Hans Rothwangl, Selectman Rep, Amanda Soares, and Bruss Construction Co. Rep, Jim Bruss.

Meeting began at 7:00pm

The Commission met with Jim Bruss to discuss ways in which to decrease the overall bid for the Renovation of the Smyth Memorial Library Building. Jim proposed several options for the commission to review and see if they liked the ideas or not. Nothing was going to be changed unless the commission was in agreement with the proposed changes. Additional savings from commission members was discussed as well during the discussion and everyone felt that great progress had been made on all sides to present to the public.

Chair Philbrick noted that the commission will be holding a public hearing for residents to come and hear what the project is about, the costs associated with the project, and the savings and grants that the commission has pursued to help alleviate the overall cost in the proposed warrant article for March.

There was no meeting in the month of August and the commission approved the minutes from July as written by Betty Sabean.

Commission Membership

- Diane read Carol Howe's letter of resignation due to a scheduling conflict with a prior commitment. The commission understands Carol's needs but still felt bad about the loss.
- Diane explained that she feels the impact of Ron Thomas's loss. He was well organized with all the commissions' activities and extremely proficient with the computer. His knowledge was immeasurable to everything the commission did.
- Diane asked the members what they thought about hiring a secretary for note taking during meetings. Ron had previously done it, Betty filled in a couple of times but did not want to do them. Diane admitted she is not as computer savvy as she would like to handle the minutes and wanted suggestions from the members. Amanda Soares volunteered to do the minutes for now until the commission figures out what it would like to do.
- Diane also wanted to remind all members of the hard work and help that Jim Lindsey and Ed Fowler had been during the LCHIP and Seven to Save writing

process. It was a grueling process with six work sessions and she greatly appreciated all their help.

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Carmelle updated everyone that she made some corrections that Mary Kate had asked from the State and was just awaiting her approval.

Diane updated the commission of her presentation to the Board of Selectmen at the September 10th meeting about asking for assisted funding for the well and septic system at the Smyth Memorial Building. Diane noted that the Board seemed very amenable to the idea but wasn't sure when any funding would occur. The funding was asked for the 2012 year so it would not have to be included in the 2013 warrant article.

Town mailing for the public hearing was discussed a bit. Carmelle said she would ask her friend if the commission could get a good deal with the printing. The commission decided on a postcard sized mailing with a picture of the building on one side, and the meeting info on the other. A catchy color was asked to be a possible option for the background.

Meeting commenced around 8:45pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by
Amanda Soares