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CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY MARCH 8, 2016 SMYTH MEMORIAL BUILDING

Present:

Diane Philbrick, Carmelle Druchniak, Carleton Robie (Selectmen's rep), Ray Cresswell, Carol Howe, Lorraine Briand, David Desilets, Sandra Whitcomb, Betty Sabean, and guest Holly Haas.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes approved

Minutes from the commission's February meeting were approved after minor amendments.

Reappointment of members

Carmelle. Diane and Sandra will have to write letters to the Board of Selectmen requesting their reappointment to the board.

Village Tour

Carmelle will await approved final copy from Lorraine (working with Diane) and will also take photos of Schoolhouse #9 and other locations to complete the Village Walking Tour brochure. There was discussion about dedicating the planned sign via a public event, a good time to announce the availability of the tour brochure. The Commission can personally invite residents in the Village area who helped provide info for the publication, which would ensure a good crowd at the sign dedication.

Barn Easements

Ray Creswell provided a list of barns that need inspection, and the group agreed to conduct the inspections within the next month. Members and their assignments:

Betty – Joe Lemieux Dave – Boyd Chivers Carmelle – Hope Pearson Diane – Doug Dekker Ray – Carol Howe Carol – Philbricks (2) Lorraine – Ray Cresswell?

Roadside Clean-up

Again, there is frustration on how to kick start the annual roadside clean-up initiative, to attract more participation from more residents. Carmelle is drafting a piece for the Union Leader and other local media, and will create a message we can email to all town groups to get their own memberships involved in this important effort.

Town Profile-Master Planning

Betty updated the group on the ongoing town profile/master planning process. Publicity is underway and there is a two-day session April 15-16 for those interested in participating in the creation of a town profile. Anyone interested in learning more can contact Betty.

Preserving Old Photos

Carmelle has identified several people who can give a local presentation on how residents can restore or preserve old family photos and documents. Carmelle will contact Heidi at Smyth Library to coordinate the session to be part of the library's ongoing "How To" Series.

In other business:

- There was discussion of reprinting the Mill book and ways to cover the cost.
- The Civil War monument will need to be waxed this year, and more details will be forthcoming as to the process and the timing.
- A trail map is being created by the Conservation Commission, a joint project of the Heritage and Conservation groups.
- Old Home Day is August 13 it returns after a few years' absence. The Commission will discuss the event at its next meeting.

The next meeting of the Candia Heritage Commission is set for Tuesday, April 12 at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Carmelle Druchniak