

Kingston Heritage Commission

Meeting Notes from the meeting held:
October 26, 2017

At the Morse room in the
Kingston Community Library

Meeting announcement was posted: at the Town Hall and the Website

Deb Powers called the meeting to order at 7:04

Members in Attendance- Debbie Powers, Ernie Landry, Bob Bean, Gail Ramsey, Charlotte Boutin, Holly Ouellette

Visitors- Eileen Clifford, Leslie Hume

Previous Minutes- motion made by Ernie and seconded by Bob was voted unanimously to accept the minutes as corrected. Minutes distributed were missing the last full page, and under Historic District Meeting, strike the phrase needs to go to town meeting for a vote.

Envision Kingston II –Envision Kingston II - The last meeting was cancelled, so there is no update. The next meeting will be held on 11/16/2017 at 7PM in the Town Hall.

Brochure / Logo Shirts– Progress has been made on the brochure, and the next meeting will be 11/9/2017 at Jenn's house. For the logo shirts, several options have been discussed. Deb will bring this discussion to the Envision Kingston II meeting.

325th Celebration – Leslie told us the Museum Group has been designated as the Coordinator of the Historical Groups in town. The schedule for 2019 is for Kingston Days to be celebrated on 7/26-7/28 with 7/29-8/4 being for 325th special events. We discussed possible activities, including: Trolley Tours (Possibly to Cheney Mills, Peaslee Tavern etc), Floats, and keeping the Museum open, an Old Fashioned Baseball game, Crafts, Bonfire, Picnic on the Plains, Militia Encampment, Halloween Scarecrow competition, etc. The HC will be responsible

to produce the School Play. We need to talk to Carol Misenheimer. The HC will also produce the Cemetery Tours on a weekend the Museum is open.

Nichols Building Update –

Roof -Work on the roof has completed, Cindy K in the Selectmen's office is writing the final report.

Front Steps - Work on the front steps need a better RFP and multiple quotes. Leslie suggested a local mason had once offered to patch up the steps to try to minimize damage this winter.

Basement Walls – we had a mason suggest we should blast and repoint them.

Basement Floor – Needs work. The concrete is thin and needs to be repaired. It may be required to remove the entire floor, dig the ground out and re-pour a thicker slab.

Grace Daley – We discussed the current plans for the Museum to use the remaining “Ell” as a workshop / demonstration area. Also discussed was that the Museum was collecting some artifacts after the demolition. There was no clear understanding about what was planned for the lot after the holes are filled.

Deb stated that she is meeting with the BOS and will discuss these items with them.

Bandstand Update –LCHIP final Reports are done. Benches need to be completed, and the electrician is working on the lights and power. The Selectmen need to create and set in use the Use Regulations that were approved on the ballot. The plaque needs to be created and installed. Deb passed out a copy of an invitation letter and asked us all to review. A tentative date for the ceremony was discussed as being the second Saturday of May. A discussion about time capsules suggested we drop the idea, and possibly do it during the 325th celebration. Deb will discuss with the BOS.

Documentation – The Grace Daley house report is to be updated with pictures of the demolition. Deb asked if we could follow the beams to their new use, and add that as well. The town video tour is still being planned.

Master Plan Update – Mae will be meeting with the Museum folks on 11/1. We expect a draft by the end of November. We had a discussion about what the plan should include, and how different groups have different missions.

Next meeting will be on December 14th at 7:00 PM at the Kingston Community Library.

Deb/Gail agreed to ask Holly to do the minutes next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned by a motion by Gail, seconded by Charlotte and unanimously approved.