

## **KINGSTON HERITAGE COMMISSION**

Meeting Notes from the meeting held:

March 27, 2014

at the Library

**Meeting announcement was posted:** at the Town Hall; Library; and the Website.

Debra Powers called the meeting to order at 7:05 P.M.

**Members in Attendance:** Debra Powers; Ernie Landry; Bob Bean; Holly Ouellette; Jane Christie.

Alternates: Gary Finerty, Charlotte Boutin (HDC Representative).

Visitors: Lindsay McDougall, Heather Sanborn, Eric Sanborn

**Previous Minutes:** from the meeting held 2/17/2014 were approved as amended by Jane Christie. Motion made by Ernie and seconded by Charlotte. It was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

**New Business:** (was taken out of order to address visitor interest.)

Grace Daley House: A Subcommittee will be formed to work this issue. Charlotte agreed to head this group. Additional volunteers are Lindsay and Stacey Smoyer.

- Charlotte agreed to arrange a subcommittee meeting and be point person for this effort.

Certified Local Government (CLG): It was announced that we have just received notification that Kingston has been awarded a CLG status. That status opens up support and assistance from the State on various projects.

Upcoming Talks: We were reminded by Jane of the upcoming talk on “Big House/ Little House/ Barn” that will be held on July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Sanborn Seminary Building: Deb announced that the Sanborn School Board has convened a subcommittee on use of the Seminary Building. They are discussing possible re-purposing of the building, within the limits of the trust. Heritage should be involved in this effort. It meets every other Wednesday at room 100 in the new High School. Holly volunteered to attend with Deb. Jane also agreed to attend if she could.

- Deb will try to get a Heritage open seat, such that we could cover for each other in case of schedule conflicts.

## **Old Business:**

Bandstand: Ernie updated with the comment that the weather has put on hold most of the next building steps planned. Not much new to update this month.

### **Stewardship Plan:**

- Ernie agreed to research the needs from the State and propose a 5 year plan.

Inventory: Ernie has researched where old reports that addressed Kingston heritage issues are being stored. There are various reports we should have access to. The rte 125 widening study is one of the ones he has looked for, also the HDC surveys, and many others. He has had problems finding them here in Kingston, and on the web and at various state offices. He is still working on it.

Mellissa Fowler has agreed to release the stored copy of the 1983 survey to us for the purpose of scanning. Bob explained that the Nichols Museum has a scanner, and he has requested from the Museum Task Force access to use it for this program.

- Bob and Ernie will pursue this effort.

Heritage Commission election of officers: After some discussion, and requests for volunteers, Deb agreed to maintain her role as Chairman, and Ernie agreed to continue as Vice Chair.

A motion was made by Charlotte and seconded by Holly to keep our current Chair and Vice chair in their roles for next year. It was passed by an unanimous voice vote.

Seacoast Regional Heritage Commission Meeting: will be held on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Jane, Deb and Ernie are planning to attend, hopefully with Virginia Morse also attending.

General Request: Deb asked all members to keep an eye on any deadlines that may be coming up on grant applications and to let her know about them.

Next meeting will be on April 24, 2014 at 7: 00 PM at the Library.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bob and seconded by Ernie. It was passed by a unanimous voice vote.

Minutes were taken by Bob Bean