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Kensington Heritage Commission

Minutes, April 18, 2019

Present: Lynne Monroe, Steven Mallory, Meghan Gross, Bob Gustafson, Frank Whittemore, Elaine Kaczmarek, Bob Solomon, Lorraine O'Keefe

Call to order: 7:15 p.m.

Members appointed by the Selectmen March 25, 2019

Note: All members must be sworn in at Town Hall. There is room for one more alternate.

Regular:

Three Year Terms:

Lynne Monroe

Steven Mallory

Two Year Terms:

Robert Solomon

Meaghan Gross

One Year Term:

Robert Gustafson

open space for one more

regular member

Ex Officio Members:

Selectmen's Representative

Joe Pace

Planning Board Representative

Peter Merrill?

Alternates:

Three Year Terms:

Elaine Kaczmarek

Ben Cole

Two Year Terms:

Frank Whittemore

One Year Term:

Lorraine O'Keefe

New Business

Procedural Rules

The first order of business was to establish procedural rules. Members read through a sample provided by the Stratham Heritage Commission, and edited it to suit Kensington.

Action: Lynne Monroe will distribute the draft to all members to be voted at the next meeting on May 16.

Election of officers

Lynne Monroe, Chair

Meghan Gross, Secretary

Bob Solomon, Treasurer

Potential Projects

Members reviewed a list of potential projects. The one that stood out for immediate action was the need to recognize the lifetime work of Carl Rezendes. Various ideas were discussed and a letter or written statement of some sort was chosen and determined to be a top priority.

Action: Lynne Monroe and Elaine Kaczmarek will draft something and share it with members for their comment.

Website

There will be a Heritage Commission page on the town website. Possibility of a separate Heritage Commission website to be discussed at later date.

Action: Ben Cole will talk about this possibility.

Good News This Month

- The Congregational Church has been listed on the NH State Register of Historic Places.
- Elaine Kaczmarek has placed a Preservation Easement on her childhood home at Prescott Corners. The land is already in conservation Easement with the Southeast Land Trust.
- Preservation Company is writing a National Register Nomination for the Kensington Social Library in honor of its 125th anniversary next year.

Action: Lynne Monroe will write an article for Community News with this news. It will fit well with the Mystery Photo which calls attention to the National Register plaques that are on the Grange, Town Hall, and North School.

Housekeeping

Meeting Time and Place- The Commission prefers to meet at 7:00 at the Town Hall in a circular format unless there are members of the public attending in which case a semi-circular format will be used. The Town Hall was not open for the last meeting.

Action: Lynne Monroe will notify the police that the Town Hall needs to be open at 6:45 on third Thursday meeting nights, and ask Kathy Felch to add the Heritage Commission to the sign on the back door.

Communication- Emails will be addressed cc to allow conversation when appropriate. Review of minutes will be important because of the time sensitivity of posting requirements.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2019

Meeting Adjourned at 8:15 pm