

Kensington Heritage Commission Meeting

August 25, 2021

Minutes

The meeting was held in person at the Town Hall. The meeting was posted on the Town's website., so the public was able to attend.

In Attendance:

Present:

Regular Members: Lynne Monroe, Chair; Bob Gustafson, Treasurer and Selectmen's Representative; Elaine Kaczmarek, Secretary, Meghan Gross, and Steven Mallory on Phone
Alternate: Frank Whittemore

Absent:

Regular Members: Joni Praded, Mike Schwotzer, Planning Board Representative
Alternates: Ben Cole, Alan Tuthill

Call to order at 6:24 PM

Minutes: The minutes from the August 4th meeting were reviewed. Bob Gustafson made the motion to accept, seconded by Frank Whittemore. Approved unanimously.

OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS

The Union Meetinghouse: The building was featured during Old Home Days. About twenty people came through for a tour on Saturday. The traditional service was held on Sunday with about fifty people attending. Steven Mallory and Lynne Monroe will be undertaking a building assessment in preparation for an LCHIP application in the spring. Meghan Gross will help if she is able. They have adopted a logo which features the Meetinghouse in the town center.

The Library: The trustees are interviewing an architect from LavalleeBresinger to design an addition. The Town may have other needs for funding in this years cycle. Lynne Monroe noted the significance of existing addition and the historic landscape for consideration.

The Planning Board: No news as Mike Schwotzer was unable to attend this meeting.

The Conservation Commissio: At a recent meeting they discussed a spread sheet with a list of areas of land being considered for conservation as an ongoing project. The Heritage Commission will be available to help on areas that are associated with historic resources. Discussion of trails in Kensington—some of which are on historic roads that have been abandoned.

The National Register nomination of the Town Center: The form has been set up and existing information has been entered. Lynne Monroe presented the boundaries for discussion. The members agreed with the current thought to include the Warner House and the park land on the corner of Trundlebed Lane.

The Brick School: The Historical Society is going to hire Window Woman to restore the windows! They held a very successful yard sale this year and have very nearly raised enough money to pay for the project. Meghan Gross suggested applying for a Moose Plate Grant to help.

New Business: Meghan Gross made a motion to change the meeting time from 6:15 to 7:00, still on the fourth Wednesday monthly. Meghan had needed the earlier time to deal with her children, but as they are older the need has changed. Elaine Kaczmarek seconded the motion and the vote in favor of the motion was unanimous.

Elaine Kaczmarek made a motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm and Frank Whittemore seconded it. Approved unanimously.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, September 22, 7:00 at the Town Hall.