

Kensington Heritage Commission Meeting

November 30, 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, Mike Schwotzer, Planning Board Representative; Elaine Kaczmarek, Secretary, Steven Mallory and Meghan Gross

Alternates: Frank Whittemore and Alan Tuthill

Absent: Joni Praded, and Alternate: Ben Cole,

Call to order at 7:10 PM

Minutes: The minutes from the November

October 27th meeting were reviewed. Bob Gustafson made the motion to accept, seconded by Alan Tuthill. Approved unanimously.

OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS

The Union Meetinghouse: Mike reported that there is no news currently, save that the Trustees are working on an assessment to go with an LCHIP application.

The Library: No news this month. A bronze plaque has been ordered regarding the National Register status of the Library.

The Planning Board: Mike reported that zoning ordinances are being adjusted to better reflect town plans.

Town Hall Sign: Following up on the request made by the selectmen at the last meeting, Lynne and Frank created a design to the commission. After discussion the design was approved and Bob Gustafson will take it to the Selectmen. It is a wooden sign similar to the signs on the Union Meetinghouse. It can be made by Frank and lettered by Joan Webber.

The Conservation Commission: Lynne Monroe reported a recent call from Pam Holland. She would like to work together on the identification of land and buildings that are agricultural and reflect character defining features significant to the Town. This would have the commissions working towards the Historic Resources chapter for the Master Plan. Both commissions feel that Agricultural land needs to be kept open and a program of mowing was discussed.

The National Register nomination of the Town Center: Lynne Monroe reported that the nomination is being worked on actively again.

The Brick School: Meghan Gross is the new president of the Historical Society. She is working with Frank and the team to preserve the Brick School. She reported that she is obtaining quotes for rehabilitating the windows and investigating grants for this purpose. Frank is interested in a farm museum. Meghan is suggesting the purchase of the house for sale on Trundlebed Lane as a

great area for a museum and she is pursuing the idea with the Historical Society.

Town Center: Joni Praded was not able to attend the meeting, so no news on that front at present.

Frank Whitemore made a motion to adjourn at 7:48 pm Alan Tuthill seconded it. Approved unanimously.

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