

CHICHESTER HERITAGE COMMISSION

January 16, 2020

Draft Minutes

Present: Lucille Noel, Mardy Friary, Joyce LeMay, Michelle Plunkett, Dawn Marshall

Opened: The meeting started at 7:23pm.

Treasurer's Report: No report given. Discussion of money spent for new plantings at the Green Space and whether Mr. Leonard had been sent payment for the Grange Hall sign.

Acceptance of Minutes of the December 19, 2019 meeting: Approved. Dawn will send past meeting minutes to Kristy Barnouski at the town offices to be posted on our page.

Member's terms: Terms of office for members of the commission were looked over. Michelle will sign up for a new three year term.

Demotion Guidelines: It was decided to invite the new town Building Inspector, Everett Hodge, to a meeting to discuss the subject of demolition delays. Lucille will call him.

Check towns our size concerning Historic Districts/Contact Preservation Alliance for Assistance (Handbook P. 30-43): Discussion about looking into what would be involved in having a small historic district with very few restrictions on Main St.. Perhaps invite Andrew Cushing from the Preservation Alliance to a meeting to discuss this. Members are asked to read p. 30-43 in the Preservation Alliance Handbook on this subject.

Chichester Country Store application for NH Register of Historic Places: Copies of the state Historic Register application forms were looked over. Initially Lucille and Michelle will start working on the first page of the application. Lucille has much of the research papers and documents about the store. A period of significance has to be chosen to focus on in the application. The period from the 1930's to the 1950's will be considered. The work on this application will probably take most of the year to complete. NH country stores are a focus this year of the NH Preservation Alliance's "Seven to Save" initiative.

Candles out of Grange/Town Hall windows, undecorate tree in gazebo: The holiday wreaths put up on Main St. have been appreciated by townspeople. It was decided to leave them up for now and to tentatively take them down between the end of January and the middle of February. It was also decided to keep the candles in the Grange Hall windows up until then. Lucille will call members in that time frame to help take them down.

Commission's 2019 Report for Town Report: The commission's report for the Town Report was submitted.

Any other business to come before the commission:

Donation: The commission received a \$150 donation from a family in town which will be deposited in the commission's nonlapsing account.

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Adjourned: The meeting ended at 8:--pm.

Draft minutes submitted by Dawn Marshall