

WHC Minutes 2/12/2020

Meeting called to order by Chairman Steir at 5:00 pm.

Present: Suzanne Ryan, Maggie Steir, Anne Blodget, Vaune Dugan, Cindy Melanson, Pat Hodder.

Revised minutes accepted as follows: under “Next order of business”, ... its; Charrette letter of support for application to PlanNH. Under “Other business”, Resources to be listed on the State Register. Under “Other business”, delete “evolved”.

Old Business

Design Standards: Discussion at 2/18 Planning Board meeting. Public input accepted, no changes, no illustrations. Straightforward, essentials only.

Charrette: Formal acceptance expected next week. Lodging and food is needed for a team of 15 people. Maggie will call two hotels within walking distance to town. Some rooms may be donated. Cindy will contact Morrissey's to provide one dinner and two lunches. Breakfast pastries and coffee will be provided. Meals will be served in the Great Room at Town Hall. Matt and Robin will handle marketing, Anne will post on FB.

Freight Shed: Simms' warrant article is confusing. Maggie will draft a letter to BOS asking to delay signing a lease until after the charrette, as other uses for the building may be suggested. Simms has had 4 engineering studies done with differing costs. WHC purview is exterior, not money nor usage. Individuals may write a letter to the editor about cost concerns.

Libby Museum: Selectmen need a formal deed to the property. The historic building needs to be saved.

HC recommendations on WA: None..

New Business

NHDOT Rte. 28: Rte. 28 Study Committee recommends not widening road, only adding sidewalks, incorporate street trees, preserve historic buildings, reflect character of town, lower speed to 30 mph from town line to Pickering Corner, 20 mph in school zone. Brewster will not change entrance, not enough room for rotary, no traffic light. Monuments cannot be moved. Area is currently in failure at peak times.

Maggie will draft a letter to the DOT that WHC should be a consulting party.

NH Preservation letter: There is no incentive to belong.

Barn Tour

Center Harbor Heritage Commission has scheduled a barn tour 9/26/2020. General speaker, maps given to participants. Proceeds split. WHC members will go to see how it might work for us.

Meeting adjourned 6:20.

Respectfully submitted,
Pat Hodder