

HHC Minutes for Nov 14, 2006 meeting

Meeting called to order at 7:18 PM

Members present: H. Glover (Chairperson), B. Leadbetter, D. Ryder (Rep from Board of Selectmen), J. Cram, J. Lawrence, L. Barbour, M. Huberlie, L. Husk, F. Olson

Members Absent: S. Howe (LOA), B. Finnern

Guests: Kirsten Moriarty, John Butler, Tom Gehan, Pat Coughlin

J. Cram will vote for M. Huberlie if she isn't able to make the meeting.

F. Olson will take minutes for B. Finnern

B. Leadbetter moved that minutes be accepted, J. Cram seconds the motion

DOW COOPER SHOP:

H. Glover reported that at Selectmens meeting cooper shop was given to Kirsten Moriarty for her to remove, with HHC help.

K. Moriarty spoke on her initial interest in the cooper shop but explained that she now has to step away from the project.

Town needed to have insurance on people working to take down cooper shop but selectmen decided it wasn't prudent to sign such paperwork..

D. Ryder explained that the Building Inspectors point of view (in regard to cooper shop) was now public knowledge and if someone was hurt in the dismantling process the town would be liable. The town only carries ten thousand dollars worth of insurance per person. Also, if the cooper shop was not moved from its current location by 12/01/06, the town would have to pay to finish moving the building.

Mr. Gehan, who lives near the cooper shop, expressed an interest in having building moved to his land, but now that is not possible.

John Butler said No. Bennett Street School would like to take the cooper shop on as a project in the Spring, but that is also not possible now.

Owner of the cooper shop, Mr. Billingsly, will not extend the removal time of the cooper shop. However, he will allow John Butler on the land and in the cooper shop to take photos of the building. Butler would like the tarp off the roof and lattice removed from the windows before photographing. He said the Dow cooper shop is especially nice because it remains as it was. Has not been tampered with.

FINANCES: B. Leadbetter

Income: \$353,785.03

Expenses: 282,547.99

Balance: 71,237.04

Lawrence Barn: \$47,989.44

B. Leadbetter handed out site walk inspection report with attached photos.

B. Leadbetter said a silk screening company offered to donate a drafting table if we could use it. The general consensus was that we cannot use it. B. Leadbetter will respond to offer, thanking them and declining offer.

BARN SIGN: J. Lawrence

Sign is done and company would like to install it. Sign can't go up until lights are moved. J. Cram will find out when lights will be relocated and let J. Lawrence know. We'll try to have Hollis Times on hand when the sign is put in place.

ROUND TABLE TALKS-L. Barbour:

The HDC has the following Round Table Talks lined up: Landscape Architecture, Historic Architecture, and SPNEA (now Historic New England) will provide us with a discussion on Home Restoration.

L. Barbour reported that the library has provided the HDC with shelf space for reference manuals and has cataloged the material as well. Our commission should see about doing the same.

DEMOLITION ORDINANCE:

N.H. Preservation Alliance can help us create a suitable demolition ordinance.

LAWRENCE BARN-J. Cram:

Update on barn projects including: Pump doesn't fit, shaft too long. Motor arriving Dec 2nd. Doors built. Strap hinges will be delivered end of week. Some electrical work still needs to be done.

LAWRENCE BARN BUDGET- J. Cram:

\$14,000. worth of work has been authorized for which we do not have the funds to pay for.

We need to find \$15,000. to \$23,000. to finish barn.

A big expense is the floor. Different floors are being researched.

New and used kitchen appliance options were discussed. If we can find a good used stove and refrigerator we would consider them.

BARN DONOR PARTY:

Will be held at the home of Pat Coughlin this Sunday at 5PM. Commission members will make food. Mark LeDoux will speak at the party.

BARN FESTIVITIES:

The Feb 23rd event is being changed to Feb 17th, 2007 because of school vacation. Will probably run from 6:30 to 10 PM. Music and refreshments were discussed. We will need a sound system. Discussion of having a cider press operating at the party. Also discussed inviting a cow to the festivities. (MOO-re on that later).

BARN CHAIRS AND TABLES:

L. Barbour gave us some prices on chairs. We'll need a chair truck. We've been offered 20 free chairs by the police dept.

NEW BUSINESS: None

There will be NO MEETING on Dec 26th, 2006.

Meeting was adjourned at 9 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

Fredricka Olson
(Fill-in secretary).