

CHARLESTOWN HERITAGE AND HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

April 23, 2019 Unapproved Minutes

Present: Duane Wetherby, Wes Van Velsor, Joanne Hipp, Joyce Higgins, Ron Martell, Jeff Lessels

The meeting came to order at 7:00 p.m.

The January 22 minutes were approved. Wes motioned, Joanne seconded.

The March 26 minutes were approved. Wes motioned, Ron seconded.

A treasurer's report was not available since the treasurer's information not being transferred from Sue Richardson to Joyce. Monthly interest accrued on our savings account was 15 cents.

Duane and Joyce have taken the text and photos for the reverse of the map to PrintServe in Claremont for them to set up. Under the photos, references to further information in the town *Histories* have been added, as per Albert St. Pierre's request.

Joyce took both the 2014 update of the Main Street National Register photos and the 1987 photos of the Main Street National Register to PrintServe to have them prepare slideshow versions on CDs. This is the final step in the updating and listing process. One copy will be given to the state per their request, one kept in our file, and one given to the Charlestown Historical Society.

Wes, Joanne, and Joyce had a work day to finalize the map. The map is done, but needs several small corrections. The map people have not been responsive to Duane's request for a day to meet with them and finish the map.

The former Jiffy Mart is being "repurposed" into retail spaces per Duane and Jeff Lessels.

There was a discussion regarding the Historic District Regulations (RSAs). The commission members informed Jeff of how the ordinance was prepared, the public meetings held, then the proposed ordinance given to the Planning Board as per the RSAs, only to have the Planning Board table the ordinance. How a revival of the proposed ordinance could occur was discussed.

Duane told the members of a request by Marge Reed for a plaque for the door stone, formerly the entrance stone to a now vanished school in Charlestown. The stone is now located at the fort. It isn't clear what Marge has in mind. Joyce will speak to her tomorrow to clarify what is wanted, and also to ask that a written request be made.

New business: Wes stated that repair/upkeep on the wooden seat of the bench at the south end of town needs to be made, in accordance with the original agreement Wes made with the state (the bench sits on the state right-of-way). Wes will have this done at his shop, but Duane needs to notify the selectboard prior to the temporary removal of the bench.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanne Hipp
Secretary