

HAVERHILL HERITAGE COMMISSION
Minutes _ – Thursday, May 30th, 2013
James R. Morrill Municipal Building
Draft Subject to Review, Correction and Approval at Following Meeting

Attending: Jim Hobbs, Wayne Fortier, Dick Ekwall

Speakers: none

Public Attendance: Robert Fillion

Jim Hobbs, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

***** The May minutes were reviewed. Motion to accept by Wayne, Second by Dick
Minutes unanimously moved**

***** Treasury report: The current balance is \$1025.45 (unchanged)**

***** Caboose Report:**

**Dick mentioned there is a possibility of obtaining trucks (wheels) for the caboose.
He will follow up on this.**

**He has received an estimate from Richard Walling to redo the interior of the
caboose, excluding painting. The work should be completed in time for displaying a
steam engine bell for children to ring, and a place to pose for a photographer on July 5th,
Railroad Day.**

**Rick's invoice was for \$1,048.25 Wayne made the motion we accept the two
following items:**

1) The Walling invoice for \$1,048.25

2) A deposit to Rick for \$300.00

Dick seconded and both were unanimously moved.

**Jim will notify the "Railroad Day" committee meeting on June 7th, that the caboose
should be available for their event in Railroad Park on July 5th.**

**Jim added that we have been offered a donation of a railroad tower, presently on
Maple street. Wayne is going to look at it and Jim is going to invite TM English to view it
for his opinion.**

**We also discussed the moving of the caboose to the most southern part of the
tracks, the North Court Street 4 corners.**

**Jim was told Phil Roy is going to donate a caboose stove to us. Wayne is going to
follow up on this information.**

**Wayne is going to make arrangements for renting a chipper for two days. He is,
also, seeking information on a 7' x 4' stone slab as a base for the "Memory Blocks".**

***** Jim discussed the following:**

**a) We escaped flooding in the garden at Hazen Park. The river only had to rise
another foot to flood the flower garden.**

**b) Tim Clough contributed several hours raising rocks, road repair, stump removal
on Tuesday the 27th. The commission appreciates his constant help. Tim. also, did
repairs on the mower.**

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c) James Roy, of Royal Electric contributed the cost for one day rental of a chipper. The commission extends their appreciation greatly.

d) Richard Paten invited Terry Paye and his son to the park. They looked over the problem we are having pumping water up from the river to water the flowers. We were not using hoses with a large enough diameter and the hose was collapsing. We thank them for the advice and for their donation of 12' of 2" inlet hose and filter, and about 50' of 1" hard outlet hose. Thanks to Terry Paye Plumbing & Heating in North Haverhill, NH.

e) We received a donation of a 4' x 8' trailer for use at Hazen Park from Darron Hobbs, Laconia, NH.

Pike dated chimney. Jim reported he has not received any response from the real estate office representative as to the owners intent in making the chimney stable. The building are nearing the point of no return and the possibility of saving the chimney is nearing a sad result. Info will be updated at the next meeting.

Commission members will be making a review of the Brown Barn before the end of June.

Jim recently sold two civil war framed discharge papers and compiled some rather informative historical information while researching the discharged soldiers. He printed out the 10 page report entitled,

“A Sketch in the life of George Roberts who served under John Paul Jones. That the man behind the gun may not be forgotten. 1905”

The report describes many sea battles commanded by John Paul Jones, describing the heroic efforts of George Roberts.

Copies of the report were given to Dick and Wayne. A copy was offered to Mr. Fillion, who declined the offer.

Anyone interested in a copy can email me at info@wmtn.biz for a pdf.....

There was no new Business

Motion to adjourn by Dick, seconded by Wayne. All were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

The date of June 27th was set for the next meeting. Wayne will be out of town and will not be able to attend.....

secretary.

Jim Hobbs, acting