

**HAVERHILL HERITAGE COMMISSION**  
**Minutes – Thursday, July 25th, 2013**  
**James R. Morrill Municipal Building**  
**Draft Subject to Review, Correction and Approval at Following Meeting**

**1) Open Meeting at 6.55 pm**

**2) Read and approve, or discuss, last minutes**

**\*\*\*Minutes for May and June were read. Dick moved to accept as read and  
\*\*\* Wayne seconded. So moved.**

**3) Treasury Report**

**\*\*\*The balance to date is \$1050.98**

**4) Welcome new members and guests**

**\*\*\* none**

**5) Speakers Scheduled**

**\*\*\* none**

**6) Caboose Report**

**\*\*\* Dick discussed what was left to be done on the interior. Dick said he would look behind the wallboard in the ceiling of the cupola to see if it is wood. If so the wallboard will be removed and the wood painted.**

**There was some discussion about the signal tower. Jim is going to see about having it delivered to the caboose site.**

**7) Hazen Report**

**\*\*\* Jim reported the tractor/mower is in for repair at T C's small engine repair in North Haverhill. He said he had partially cleared another picnic area and would be delivering the 5 picnic tables in the near future.**

**8) Old Business Discussion**

**\*\*\* Dick said there is a large stone slab near the entrance of the gravel/sand pit in Pike. Wayne will talk to the owner about the possibility of getting it as a base for the "Memory Blocks".**

**(as a footnote to this discussion - Wayne and Jim stopped and toured the sand pit after doing the Brown and Wellington barn surveys on Tues. July 30th.)**

**11) New Business Discussion**

**\*\*\* Jim handed Wayne a letter and asked if it was the exact letter submitted to the Select Board by Mr. Fillion. Wayne said it was and that the allocations had been investigated and considered to be unfounded.**

**Jim said he wanted to make the commission aware of the letter because HHC was mentioned. The letter was addressed to Heritage Commissions in general, not the "Haverhill Heritage Commission" and is as follows, for HHC files.**

***"James Hobbs has a conflict of interest situation between his business, the White Mountain Trader, and his job as chairman of the Heritage Commission. He is advertising his business with an exhibition at the Woodsville Library claiming it is a commission exhibition, which it is not."***

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Jim stated Mr. Fillion is correct on one account. The collection is not a commission exhibit. It is Jim's personal collection on loan to the library!

Jim said the letter didn't request an investigation, however Mr. Fillion may have verbally asked for one at the Select Board meeting. Instead it was a bold statement and Jim wanted the commission to know he was seeking legal advice, on his own behalf, in the matter. He also stated he found it ironic that Fillion made such a statement, especially when Fillion, himself, has a reprint of Bittinger's History of Haverhill, in the Woodsville Library, with two bold advertisements glued to the inside of the cover, which state:

1) *Haverhill Heritage Books*  
Woodsville, NH 03785-0283

2) I have donated this book to the Woodsville Library with the intent that the book be allowed to circulate.

Robert G. Fillion,  
*Publisher, Haverhill Heritage Books*

Jim presented the book to Dick and Wayne.....

It was moved and seconded that the meeting adjourn, as there was no further new business.

12) Set date of next meeting for 08-29-2013

13) Move to close approx. 7:36 pm

Jim Hobbs, acting secretary.