

Exeter Heritage Commission

June 20, 2017

Draft Minutes

Members present: Julie Gilman, Pam Gjettum, John Merkle, Chairman, Laura Fay

Julie called meeting to order at 7:00 pm in the Wheelwright Room of the Exeter Town Building.

Business: Approval of the minutes from May 16, 2017. Laura and Pam had a few changes. Julie made a motion to approve minutes as amended. Pam seconded. All were in favor and minutes approved.

Next on the agenda was Winter Street Cemetery. Julie stated there was a meeting scheduled for last Friday, but it was cancelled because of the rain. It is rescheduled for June 30<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at the cemetery.

Julie passed out copies of the touring locations. What the commission would like to find out about these places, can be broken up among everyone. John stated that he finally found out where the Gaslight Cemetery was. It is the oldest cemetery that is still there. Julie stated that Pam has done some research on these homes. The commission had a discussion about the tour locations. Pam stated that Cass Street is a good place to start because each home has a story. Julie asked Pam what would be the best way to find out information on these homes. Pam stated it would probably be best to go to the Registry of Deeds. Pam stated that The Historical Society has folders of just streets that they could look through. Laura volunteered to take pictures. This way, you can see the whole neighborhood. John stated that they will start on Main Street at the corner of Cass Street. He also stated that they should print off the map and then go and take photos.

Pam and Julie will get together on the 27<sup>th</sup> at the Historical Society at 10 am. Laura may go in the afternoon. John may join Pam and Julie at 10 am.

Julie stated that she can get a thumb drive for Laura to use for the picture taking. Julie stated that this is a beginning of a plan. John then stated that it is a good start.

Next is the demolition update. Pam asked if there was something coming up. There is nothing at this time.

John then asked for an update on the Master Plan. Pam stated that they had the open house on Wednesday and it went very well. There were less than 200 people. A lot of people stopped at the history table and took information and asked questions. Laura stated that people were interested in what each table had to say. Pam stated that the biggest thing that people wrote on their board was they want the town to buy the Ioka and preserve it. The consultants will present a written plan. Pam stated that she thought the first plan they presented was very good. They had to rewrite it to put in the Historical Society.

Other Business: Julie asked about the dam. John stated that it was talked about briefly and they are waiting to see how much money they have.

With no further business, John made a motion to adjourn. Julie seconded. All were in favor and meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Herrick  
Recording Secretary