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Meeting Minutes

Derry Heritage Commission

Monday, August 7, 2023

7:00pm – 3rd Floor Training Room

Derry Municipal Center

Call to Order – 7:00pm

Salute to the Flag, pointing out Fire Exits, Handicap Access, turn off cell phones and pagers.

Roll Call: Present -Lynne Mari, Paul Lindemann, Karen Blandford-Anderson

Absent – Mike Hill, TJ Cullinane

Chairman's Report

- Review and approval of Minutes from 6-5-2023 – Approved 3-0
- New Purchase Order forms were distributed for Signature.

Old Business

- Museum Updates:
 - Renovation – Phase I Update
 - Phase 1 is moving along.
 - Panels are complete and at the printer.
 - Entrance to the Museum is done, cleaned, painted and awaiting the Ulster-Scot Panels from the 1718 project. Paul Lindemann to size and get produced. Working on a mounting for the monitor.
 - Discussion about a "Wall of Honor" to be in the first area, and it was determined that this might be better located in the Lobby Area. Layout ideas will be presented at a workshop meeting later in August at the museum.
 - Acquisitions and Inventory
 - Acquisitions have slowed during the renovation process.
 - Inventory of the items in the first area of the museum.
 - Still need to get assistance putting them into Omeka.
 - Jr. Historian activities/update
 - Jr. Historians continue to be helpful in getting Phase I ready. They are also anxious to work on the Shepard display in the back temporary area. Work started but the Commission is going to instruct them to put a hold on that activity until Phase I is completed. Karen will speak with TJ Cullinane to work on their planning and determine the next steps. They also want/need to present their plan to the Commission before moving forward. Will put them on the agenda for next meeting. (October)

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- Town Hall Display Case Schedule
- Karen presented a schedule for:
 - August/September – Hood Farm Display
 - October/November – World War Derry
 - December/January – Ice Cutting
 - February/March – Winter Carnival
- Derry Farmers Market participation on August 16th. Paul and Karen will create a display using the Hood Farm panel and then move it to the Town Hall.
- Derryfest - checking on booth. The museum booth was not secured. Potential to work with First Parish Meeting House as Jr. Historians are preparing for their participation at the event.
- Upcoming outreach
 - Boston Post Cane Recipient – Update. We have a 97 year old candidate for the Boston Post Cane. Tina Guilford is double checking the voter registration list for any others that might be older. Paul Lindemann will put out one last PR to make sure we hit all the options before the end of August.

Outreach

- Paul Lindemann did a presentation on the Meeting House Restoration to the Londonderry town officials.
- Paul Lindemann did a meeting house presentation to George Siros/Town Planning Team to talk about the code inspection/occupancy certification for the Meeting House.
- Joshua Reardon approached Paul Lindemann to say that he was doing research on Tower Bells and wanted to do a recording and video story on the Meeting House/Church Bells.

New Business

- No new business was brought forth.

Commission Requests/Open Discussions

Adjournment

Next Meeting – Monday, October 2, 2023