



## Heritage Commission Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2022

Present: Karen Blandford-Anderson, Chairperson, Paul Lindemann, Vice Chairperson, TJ Cullinane, Catherine Baumann.

Absent: Mark Wiseman and Elena Weymouth

Call to Order 7:00pm

Election of Officers for 2023 Fiscal Year.

- Karen Blandford-Anderson, elected Chairperson
- Paul Lindemann, elected Vice Chairperson

### Chairmans Report:

- Minutes from the June 6, 2022, approved 4-0
- Discussion on opening the museum starting October 1, 2022 on Saturday's.
  - Derryfest - recruit for volunteers then announce that we're opening Saturday's starting October 1<sup>st</sup> from 11-2:00pm.

Motion was made an approved to compensate volunteers with a gift card for lunch at a local restaurant up to \$25. Motion passed 4-0.

### New Business

- **Harriet Chase Newell Sleigh** – Londonderry has the sleigh on "Permanent Loan" Discussion on what we want to do if we determine to take it back. Karen to reach back out to Ann Chiampa of the Londonderry Historical Society to find out what the agreement means, what shape the sleigh is in, and what we want to do with it if we reclaim it from them.
- **Potato Museum** – Chair presented the idea of bringing the Potato Museum to Derry. Paul discussed the things he found that he's not in favor of the this as bringing the museum here as part of what we do and thinks it would be more of a distraction to our core purpose. TJ we can't take anything on now. Cathi concurs.
  - Chair will reach back out to let them know we aren't in a position to buy or assist their plan, but there are some contacts that we can send their way from NH History Museum.

- **Founders Weekend (April/May 2023)** – Meeting House Fundraiser - Paul Lindemann – Presented a project plan for a two-day event next spring focused on history. Commission was in favor of participating as potential speakers, volunteers, tour guide of the cemetery.
- **Pinkerton Hall of Fame** - September 29<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm - Pinkerton Hall of Fame – General Thom is being inducted into the Pinkerton Hall of Fame via TJ's nomination. Member of the commission are invited to attend. Karen, Paul, and TJ are out of town that day.
- **Civil War Demonstration at Derryfest** - they would like to sign out the surgeons kit for the day. TJ will take responsibility for it. This was not approved to be completed.
- **Cemetery** – TJ will restart the repair process for the cemetery. Tuttle headstone has toppled and needs repair. TJ to come back to the commission with a new pricing proposal.
- **Westbrook** – Paul got a tour of the house and facility. They are now working on the property to create an outside event venue. 200 event tent and outbuilding/marketplace. History events, launch party and farm to table dinners. Objective is to stay in touch and assist with historical information or artifacts as needed and appropriate.

Having no other business before the commission a motion was made by Paul Lindemann and seconded by Tj Cullinane to Adjourn - 9:00pm (4-0)

Respectfully submitted: Karen Blandford-Anderson, Chairperson, October 3, 2022