**HAMPSTEAD HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION**

**Wednesday, June 1, 2022**

Weather @ 7PM: Overcast and 52oF

Meeting came to order at 7:04 PM EDT at the Hampstead Museum

**Members Present:**

 Rob Morris (Chair), Chip Hastings, Joe Guthrie, and John Kelley

**Museum**

Regarding the exterior painting, Rob gave a summary of recent events. He did a walk around with a person from Mid-Maine Restoration as well as a painter from Salem back in late April. Both did not send him any painting estimates. The committee decided that a RFP is need. The commission revised a previous painting RFP. Rob said he will provide Tina with our draft RFP for the exterior painting for her to revise and advertise. Rob said there was about $26K in the museum budget for the exterior painting.

Rob mentioned that the Hampstead Historical Society purchased six new window shades. The new shades were installed in the office and the library. The shades were purchased using donations to the society.

**Town Office Building**

Rob also gave a summary of his recent work trying to find a company to do the repairs to the town office building. Rob said he did a walk around of the town hall with the Mid-Maine Restoration person. In addition, Rob did a walk around with Tom Mosson, whose company, Stonehill Builders does restoration of historic structures. He did not get any estimates afterwards. Rob said Haseltine Builders provide an estimate of approximately $20K to restore just the roof of the SW corner of the front entry. Given the urgency to repair the entry roof as soon as possible, the commission anonymously voted to recommend Haseltine Builders to the Selectmen to repair the front entry roof. The motion was made by John Kelley and seconded by Joe G.

**Meetinghouse**

Chip said he will contact Bob Mosley and ask if can install this summer, the granite curbing, the missing bricks in the walkway leading to the parking lot and also loam and seed the area between the Meetinghouse and the lot.

Rob said that John and he tolled the bell at the moment of silence for the three fallen Hampstead veterans during the Memorial Day Remembrance Ceremony at 10 AM on Monday, May 30th in Meetinghouse Park. Rob, John and Joe G. said there was good number of people at the ceremony which was held under mostly sunny skies and a temperature was 78oF.

**Old Business**

John said he checked out refrigerators at Home Depot to replace the present small refrigerator in the Meetinghouse. He found one at Home Depot that has a capacity of 16.6 cubic feet, has standard installation depth, without an ice maker, and was white. The cost is about $700. Joe G. made a motion to authorized John to purchase a refrigerator for $800 or less. Chip seconded the motion. John will talk to Tina about how to go about purchasing the refrigerator and having it delivered to the Meetinghouse.

**New Business**

Rob will be ringing the bell at 12:01AM on Independence Day, Monday, July 4, 2022, an annual town tradition.

**Minutes of Last Meeting:**

John distributed the minutes for the April and May meetings. The commission reviewed the minutes. There were no corrections or additions. Joe G. made a motion to accept the minutes for both meetings and John seconded the motion.

**Adjournment:**

Joe G. made motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by John. The meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM EDT.

*These meeting minutes were reviewed and approved at the July 6, 2022 meeting.*