

HAMPSTEAD HISTORIC DISTRICT/HERITAGE COMMISSION
Wednesday, July 6, 2022

Weather @ 7PM: Partly cloudy and 76 deg F

Meeting came to order at 7:08 PM EDT at the Hampstead Museum

Members Present:

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

Museum

Rob said the town received three proposals in response the town's RFP to paint the exterior of the museum. The three were from Noonan Brothers Painting, Bouchard Painting, and Jim's on Call Painting. The commission reviewed and discussed the proposals. Jim's on Call Painting was the lowest bid, painted the interior of the museum during the last year, has 30+ years in interior/exterior painting, and holds a general contractor license for lead abatement. Jim said he can finish the job before the snow flies. Joe G. made a motion to accept the proposal from Jim's on Call Painting of Manchester, NH. It was seconded by Chip. All voted in favor. Rob will inform Tina and Jim Chase, owner of Jim's on Call Painting.

Meetinghouse

Rob rang the bell at 12:01AM on Independence Day, Monday, July 4, 2022, an annual town tradition. Rob and John said there was probably about 60 people at the event. Rob said the weather was great (at Midnight the temperature was 67 under clear skies). Rob mentioned that a couple from the Island Pond area heard the bell, got curious, and drove to the Meetinghouse to see what was going on.

Prior to the July 4th ringing, Dave Depouy greased the bell. While doing that he found in one location on the rope where only 2 of the 3 strands were holding the rope together. He fixed it by doing a 'long splice'. However, Dave recommended that the entire rope be replaced. Rob said he will find out where to buy twisted manilla static rope. John said he could ask people at his center at UNH since they buy rope/line for their research vessels.

Old Business

John said he checked with Sally about how to purchase a new refrigerator for the Meetinghouse. Sally got back to him and told him to use the town credit card. John, when he has time, will stop by the town hall, get the card and then head off to Home Depot or Lowes to buy a new refrigerator. He will have them delivery it to the Meetinghouse.

New Business

Rob mentioned that the State of NH DEM plans to hold a 'public hearing' about aquatic vegetation control in Island Pond. DEM would like to have the hearing in the Meetinghouse on July 28th and asked Rob if the rental fee could be waived. Joe G. made a motion to waive the fee. The motion was seconded by Chip. All voted in favor to the waive the fee.

Rob will contact Dave D. about replacing a missing clapboard and about a hole in another clapboard on the north side.

Minutes of Last Meeting:

John distributed the minutes for the June meetings. The commission reviewed the minutes. There were no corrections or additions. Joe G. made a motion to accept the minutes and Lyn seconded the motion. All voted in favor.

Adjournment:

Joe G. made motion to adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Lyn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM EDT.

These meeting minutes will be reviewed at the August monthly meeting.

