Goshen Historical Commission Meeting Minutes

April 10, 2014

1) Call to order

a) Bob Labrie called to order the regular meeting of the Goshen Historical Commission at 7:10PM on April 10, 2014 at the Goshen Fire Station.

2) Roll call

a) The following persons were present: Bob Labrie, Margaret Waggoner, Floyd Merrit

3) Approval of minutes from last meeting

a) The minutes for the last meeting were not available

4) Finance Report

- a) Balance of \$2,089.93 as of 3/3/14 out of a budget of \$3,600.00
- b) 3/8 Bill from George Propane of \$280.90
- c) Still have utility bills for April, May and June to go
- d) Finance report accepted as presented.

5) Report on endangered historical properties – Williams / Boltwood House

- a) Selectboard can ask for proposals rather than go out to auction. When can this be done? Before, during or after land court?
- b) Title is unclear we need clear title of the property before securing grants
- c) Direct descendants are all dying off. This raises the concerns that the children and stepchildren are now heirs.
- d) Ruth Babcock's will (heirs) and her trust (maintain property) are not in synch.
- e) Nancy Clifford has letters from the family members stating their intentions.
- f) Bob will attend the Williams / Boltwood House Trust annual meeting in April to discuss plans for the property.

6) Status of completion of and summary of MHC inventory forms on historical properties

a) Seven of the forms are now complete. Work is progressing on remaining forms

7) Selection and assignment of next properties to be inventoried

- a) Assessors dates are not always accurate. However, the group agrees that we should use these dates to determine which properties should be inventoried next.
- b) Bob will concentrate on photographing remaining properties where the inventories are complete. Margaret will assign the next two properties to be inventoried.

8) Report of GHC representative on CPA Committee

- a) Bob reported that the CPC has requested a timeline of events that will need to take place on the Williams / Boltwood House.
- b) Bob will work to get that information from the Town Treasurer (Allan Kidston).

9) Report of the Curator

- a) We have 343 out of 1,000 books remaining of Goshen's history.
- b) Basement floor needs to be painted.

10) Planning for the 2014 season at the Historical Museum

- a) Upcoming exhibits in 2014 can we get more?
 - i) Hammond Acres
 - ii) John C. Hammond
- b) Margaret to create schedule

11) New Business

- a) Bob to submit article for the ATM warrant requesting \$1,500 for new electrical outlets for the Museum
- b) Margaret to look for the members terms so we can validate list provided to us by the Town Clerk

12) Adjournment

- a) Bob Labrie adjourned the meeting at 9:45PM.
- b) Minutes submitted by: Bob Labrie