

Hampton Falls Heritage Commission

Meeting Minutes

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April 12, 2024

Present at 9:02 am were Beverly Mutrie, Chair, Mary Ann Hill and Phil Chura, Commissioners. Lou Gargiulo, Commissioner, was absent.

The minutes from March 13, 2024 were approved upon a motion by M. Hill, seconded by P. Chura and B. Mutrie also approved.

The Treasurer's Report: The Commission has \$1,000 balance in the Heritage Budget. It also has \$9,306.45 in the Heritage Fund including last month's interest of \$31.37.

The Board of Selectmen recently reappointed B. Mutrie to the Heritage Commission for another three- year term. A motion was made to nominate B. Mutrie for Chair and Secretary by M. Hill, seconded by P. Chura and B. Mutrie agreed.

B. Mutrie contacted A. Tonry again about her recommended changes to the Historic Resources Booklet. She will try to get some of them forwarded to B. Mutrie.

The Historical Society is putting together the Lafayette Road exhibits using pictures taken in 1972 and earlier. They will also do an exhibit of motels, restaurants and cabin properties on Rte. 1 during the Tourist Era. B. Mutrie suggests that the Heritage Commission use the 1988 Lafayette Road pictures taken by A. Christie and compare them with P. Chura's 2022 pictures. Phil will work on this after he 'flies' northern Lafayette Road to get streetscape pictures.

B. Mutrie reported that there are several historic properties that might be changing their appearance. 75 Exeter Road is under new ownership and may submit a demolition permit. Another historic house, the 1786 James D. Janvrin house at 14 Kensington is also up for sale. B. Mutrie is concerned about additions or repairs to historic buildings as Architectural Review by the Building Inspector or the Planning Board is not required.

Discussion ensued about trying to 'fly' the interior of several barns in town to get a video of the joinery, the way it was used (dairy, sheep, chickens, storage) and alterations over the years. The Commissioners proposed the former French, Merrill, Page barns and the current Bohm barns as candidates. There may be others. P. Chura can do 360° photos inside the barn.

A motion to adjourn was heard at 10:12am by P. Chura, seconded by M. Hill and B. Mutrie concurred.

The Heritage Commission's next meeting will be **June 12, 2024**.

Beverly Mutrie, Secretary/Chair