CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES TUESDAY OCTOBER 13, 2015 SMYTH MEMORIAL BUILDING

Present:

Diane Philbrick, Carmelle Druchniak, David Desilets, Betty Sabean, Carleton Robie (Selectmen's rep), Ray Cresswell, Carol Howe

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes approved

Minutes from the commission's September meeting were approved.

Village Tour

Dave reported that he is awaiting info from Lorraine Briand. Once info is received by Carmelle, she will create a draft brochure/map. Diane also noted the roadside signs would cost \$300 for 1, \$450 for two. Carleton advised she would have to submit an invoice to receive a check from the town to cover the cost.

Sense of Place – Reorder?

Carmelle will relay an invoice to Diane for reordering A Sense of Place, the town history. She also has written a press release to alert residents via local media that the new printing will be available. It was agreed there would be 50 copies planned and Carmelle will edit the current version according to some minor edits from Sandra and report on an anticipated date of delivery at the next commission meeting.

Candia Depot walking tour

Ray noted there is nothing new to report on the project to create a preliminary map of Candia Depot. Sandra Whitcomb did create a map of homeowners from the 40s and 50s, and Ray will check these against the house numbers of existing structures. A sign similar to that planned for Candia Village likely would be placed near the tracks, near Phil Plante's home.

Conservation Commission -- Rec Map

Diane reported the group is surveying people in anticipation of the creation of a recreational map. As discussed at a previous meeting, the walkabout guide would initially focus on trails and recreational areas that currently exist, and then perhaps include other areas open to public use.

Evaluate Web site

Carmelle plans to propose changes to the Heritage Commission web pages.

Other Business

Betty Sabean attended a session focused on the creation of a town profile as part of the new master planning process. Her remarks triggered a wide ranging discussion among commission members of the master planning process, and the town's need to plan for the future in light of a shrinking population and decreasing property values.

Carleton noted there is a master planning meet on Nov. 5 and selectmen will discuss their budget recommendations before the budget committee on Nov. 11.

The next meeting of the Candia Heritage Commission is set for Tuesday, Nov. 10.