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CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION MINUTES

TUESDAY, July 10 2018

SMYTH MEMORIAL BUILDING, 7PM

Present: Diane Philbrick, Carol Howe, Betty Sabean, Lorraine Briand, Carmelle Druchniak, and selectmen's rep Russell Dann

Absent: Ray Cresswell

Guest: Caleb Harris

Minutes approved

Minutes from the commission's June meeting were approved pending the correction of a typographical error, and will be posted on the town website.

Historic Center Sign Wording

Members discussed amending the sign created by Frank Sarra that read "Candia Historic Center." Previous emails focused on possibly deleting the word *Candia* since the town seal is above the wording and it seemed redundant. All agreed to proceed with the change.

Veteran Recognition

The meeting began with a visit to the Soldier's Monument on High Street to assess how additional information might be included to honor veterans of World War II, the Vietnam War and more recent military actions.

Diane lauded Jim Lindsey for his exhaustive research identifying Candia veterans and there was some discussion on whether his spreadsheet might be included on the town website. All agreed the document will be invaluable in determining what information might be added to the monument.

In the lengthy discussion that followed, questions focused on how that might be done and whether the commission or selectmen would oversee the effort. Finally, it was agreed that Carmelle would draft a letter to the Selectmen, send to Diane for review, and then to the larger group before relaying to the board. The letter would ask the Selectmen for direction on how to finally accomplish what has been a goal of many residents over the years – to honor all Candia veterans of all wars, with special tributes to those killed in action.

Scenic Byways

Related to Candia's scenic byways as designated by the Southern New Hampshire Planning Commission in 2013, Diane asked members to visit the website outlining the roadways and consider how the Commission might promote them.

Caleb noted that the town of Deerfield is considering this very question as well.

Other Business

- The Smyth Library history project continues. Betty will send Carmelle additional copy to include in the master document.
- Candia Woods will take over the care and watering of the Exit 3/Welcome to Candia sign flower bed since Lorraine indicated the Candia Garden Club has too few members to oversee all of its projects.

There will be no August meeting. The next meeting of the Candia Heritage Commission is set for Tuesday, Sept. 11, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Smyth Memorial Building.

Respectfully submitted by Carmelle Druchniak