

## MINUTES CANDIA HERITAGE COMMISSION

SEPTEMBER 10, 2019

### ATTENDANCE:

Diane Philbrick, Betty Sabean, Carol Howe, Brien Brock, and Lorraine Briand.

Guests attending: Holly Haas & Christine Dupere.

We met at the Town Hall meeting room. The meeting was opened by Chairperson Diane Philbrick, @ 7:08 with The Pledge of Allegiance.

### MINUTES:

Acceptance of July minutes by Lorraine Briand and seconded by Betty Sabean. Motion passed

### SMYTH LIBRARY HISTORY REPORT:

Betty presented the finalized report of the library history. Some discussion ensued regarding the content and where she searched the information. Carmelle will review and complete the final draft and post it on the town website. Our budget has encumbered the cost of printing it with a spiraled binding. The committee applauded Betty, Carmelle and Lorraine for a job well done. The History may be ready for print at the October 8<sup>th</sup> meeting.

### BEAN ISLAND CEMETERY HISTORY PROJECT:

Chris Dupere joined the committee to offer area history and information of which she is very familiar since she lives across the street. Also she has considerable history that her daughter researched as a Girl Scout project some years ago. Her daughter planted daffodils around the outside of the cemetery and in other places adjacent to the cemetery. She informed us that originally there was a very ornate iron gate that was stolen many years ago and never replaced. Holly offered to research the likes of the gate and possibly find a similar one at a salvage yard. Jim Lindsey provided us with maps from various years of the cemetery and Bean Island area. The Heritage Commission's intent is to find interesting bits of history and homes © 1810 that are still in existence and create a map suitable for a walking tour, similar to previous tours the commission has developed.

A question came up of how to determine if lots are available in cemeteries. Holly informed us that sonar is the only way to positively prove open lots, but it is very expensive and a lengthy project due to the process of making grids.

Chris offered to sketch a map of the homes still standing, such as she did for the Hill Walking Tour.

Diane suggested for us to walk and review the Bean Island area and map out the river, waterways, marsh area, and homes prior to the October meeting. Betsy stated that she would prefer to do so with another person. Holly suggested that we research the area using Google Maps and print out the available map(s).

Diane will reach out to Brenda Stevens, trustee of the Fitz Museum, regarding photographs of the Bean Island area that may help us with this project.

**BUDGET:**

Diane sent in the budget request and stated that last year's expense was the making of the signs for the Hill Center at the cost of \$450. Also \$50 was sent for membership to the Preservation Alliance.

No other business conducted. The next meeting is scheduled for October 8<sup>th</sup>.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lorraine Briand, acting secretary