

**Hampton Heritage Commission  
Draft Meeting Minutes 11/27/21**

Call to order 6:00 P.M. by Chair Jim Metcalf with a salute to the flag.

Members Present:

Ann Carnaby

Christine Bushway

Jim Metcalf

John Wrobel

Erica de Vries

No public citizens were present at the meeting.

Deferred reading of the last meeting's minutes until next meeting.

Jim Metcalf updated the members about an inquiry from Regina Barnes asking if the Commission has arranged to receive the Neil Underwood plaque. Haven't heard back from DOT yet.

Ann Carnaby updates that her Historical Marker is up on her house and has been photographed. The marker creator was unable to attend the presentation. Christine Bushway states that a picture of the marker on Ann's house was taken with Ann and Christine and it will be sent to the media with a press release.

Discussion of application for a marker for a house at the beach. The requirement for a marker is an age of 50 years or more and the house meets that. Jim will contact Carolyn Fluke to request her payment and order marker.

Jim Metcalf provided an update on town owned historic structures and states that knowledgeable Ms Elizabeth Ackroyd is confident that the blacksmith shop has never been moved. Ann Carnaby updates that it is currently in “awful shape” and needs a lot of work to make it usable. Ann has identified and talked with a Hampton resident that knows the history of the shop, and other blacksmith shops in town, and has a complete book covering the topic.

Discussion regarding the possibility of writing a warrant article to get funding for the needed blacksmith shop repairs. It was agreed that John Wrobel would get an engineering report on the building in order to do a warrant article in 2023 as well as look for other outside sources of funding for the project.

Ericka de Vries, a professional fund raiser, states that a formal plan of action will be needed. She informs that the usual formula for fund raising is to look for 1/3 of funding from grants, 1/3 from a warrant article, and 1/3 from fund raising efforts.

Ann Carnaby says the blacksmith shop should be kept at its present location where it was built. A separate historic cooperage building is also next to it.

Jim Metcalf will contact Elizabeth Ackroyd to get the details about the prior warrant article that was passed for funding the needed work but the funding was not used within the time restrictions.

Discussion of request from residents of Esker Road for a historical marker at Meadow Pond Farm. This is not the type of marker provided by the Heritage Commission consequently the group will be referred to the Hampton Selectman for approval.

Jim provided an update on the Gen Moulton house proposal noting that the owner has withdrawn his petition to build on the property.

Jim Metcalf discussed the RSA 41: 14-a process and HB 164 and informed the board that it has been amended to cover demolition and disposal of buildings.

Discussion that the duties of the Heritage Commission are to support the Planning Board.

There is no date at this time for the Nov. meeting and will be determined by availability of the meeting room.

Jim Metcalf makes a motion to adjourn. Christine Bushway seconds motion. Meeting adjourned.