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**Northfield Historical Commission
Minutes
November 10, 2016
Town Hall**

Present: Joe Graveline, Robert Hall, Carol Lebo, Lisa McLoughlin, and Joan Stoia
Absent: Sue Ross

Note: Bob, Joe, Lis and Carol met at the Center Cemetery at 3:00 to view the state of its current condition.

Called to order at 4:00pm by Carol

Minutes of Previous meeting: Motion to accept: Lis Second: Joe Discussion: none
Passes unanimously

Mail:

Carol wrote to Brian wanting to be kept in the loop re: Roberts 61A and Browning. Response: Browning and Gibson land not eligible for transfer to town because transfer occurred within the family. Town could have acquired Roberts sale if we had a need and matched the 320K price. When 61A list is received by NHC (needs clarification) each committee should ID which property we want with explanation why to help assist the staff flag interested property. Exercising municipal rights 61, 61A, and 61B --- a newly adopted policy could have helped with Roberts property. All committees will be notified from now on.

FY18 budget request. Carol will fill out and send along with plan for 5 years. Due Dec 6th.

New Business

Certified Local Governments: Carol has been doing further research. We need to work with the CLG coordination at the state level.

2016-2017 Planning and Tasks re: NHC doing a program in town. Lis suggested the Elnu band of Abenaki might like to do a re-enactment in town. She will ask them if they are interested. Joe suggested a day educating the public on indigenous wild edibles and the use of local medicinal plants by native peoples to be taught by native researchers.

Old Business:

Carol will send a notice of intent (NOI) to apply for MHC grant before the deadline. We received a draft from Sue Ross, who couldn't make the meeting. We discussed the proposal and edited it. Motion: Carol will send the NOI to apply for the MHC Grant to the state and can make further edits as needed. M: Joe; S: Lis, discussion: great/excited passes unanimously.

Alderbrook Trail Signage-no new info.

CPC-Carol has submitted her name and will need to be sworn in.

Membership Needs- Carol will approach a new suggested person.

HB698: Joe: Coordinating efforts with Deerfield Historical Commission Bud Driver.

Montague Reporter will do a series on local archaeology to help get the word out. HB 698 may be reintroduced, but not before January of 2017.

Paul Mark: Carol will step up efforts to get answer from him on how to get our records, hopefully within two weeks.

Additional Items Brought Forth:

Joan Stoia is on the Zoning Revision Commission (an ad hoc commission) and suggested we all read the new zoning laws. She suggests we rotate members from NHC to go to the Selectboard meetings so we're better informed.

Motion to approve reimbursing Lis \$50 for Lake Hitchcock and archaeological sensitivity maps of Northfield area. M: Joe S: Bob, discussion: none passes unanimously.

Motion to adjourn: Joe; Second: Carol, discussion: none Vote passes unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Graveline, Secretary

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joe Graveline", written over the typed name and date.

January 12, 2017