

HHC Minutes for Oct 24, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:20PM

Members present: H. Glover (chairperson), L. Husk, J. Cram, D. Ryder (Selectmens rep), B. Leadbetter, J. Lawrence, F. Olson

Members absent: M. Huberlie, L. Barbour, B. Finner, S. Howe (LOA)

Guest: Peter Baker (Hollis Land Stewardship Committee), M. Ward

F. Olson taking minutes for B. Finner

Corrections to Minutes: Change to CLG Grant, correct spelling on "perambulation". Change Conservation Comm to Land Stewardship Comm. B. Leadbetter moved we accept minutes as amended. J. Cram seconded.

FINANCES – B. Leadbetter:

B. Leadbetter met with selectmen and reviewed budget proposal. No comment from Selectmen.

Selectmen had not read letter B. Leadbetter sent them last year. They will take under advisement.

Last year we asked Selectmen for increase for preservation activities and we were told no.

Current Finances:

Heritage acct:	\$345,130.01
Expenses:	250,073. 54
Balance:	95,056.47

Barn Acct: \$48,187.

D. Ryder: Funds not spent should be returned to general fund to lower taxes.

PETER BAKER:

Talked about Stewardship Committee in regards to Woodmont Orchard buildings. He said HHC needs to come up with good reasons as to why the buildings at Woodmont should be saved.. A plan needs to be developed. Buildings should be made safe or taken down. Building Inspector will survey Woodmont buildings and come up with an estimate of how much it would cost to stabilize them for the winter.

WOODMONT ICE HOUSE:

G. Archambeault will put in an estimate on stabilizing ice house. We will also get a second estimate. It needs to be stabilized before winter and before it can be repaired.

DOW COOPER SHOP:

Discussion on possibility of moving cooper shop to Woodmont Orchards. It may not fit into agricultural use requirements.

L. Husk reported that the building is moveable but roof would have to come off because it's too expensive to have power lines taken down..

L. Husk went to Payette's home (across from cooper shop) but they are in Kansas. She gave contact info to renters.

Payette property does not lend itself to having cooper shop moved onto it.

Possibility of moving cooper shop behind Farley Building does not seem promising.

J. Cram said we need a complete plan for cooper shop: finding a site, preparing the site, cost of the project including moving, putting roof back on, foundation, etc.

Per L. Husk, "Save Me" sign put on cooper shop needs to be removed ASAP, current owners do not want it on the building. Fusi's have demolition permit for cooper shop.

Our committee needs to look over our towns demolition regs.

L. Husk suggested we put something in the paper and on cable TV about Dow Cooper Shop being demolished. Honi will contact Mara Huberlie and give her material on the cooper shop for the newspaper.

LAWRENCE BARN SIGN:

J. Lawrence said sign has been started and letters cut. Sign maker needs a signed contract from us and a 50% deposit. Total cost: \$1980.

J. Cram moved that we accept contract, B. Leadbetter seconded.

J. Lawrence, Lynn, and M. Ward will decide on the shade of white to be used on the sign.

SEVEN TO SAVE:

H. Glover attended meeting. Farley Building was not selected. She listed buildings that were chosen for the Seven to Save. Meeting House in Epsom was number one. We can try again next year.

LAWRENCE BARN -J. Cram:

Pump has arrived. Sign will go up after we have our CO. Discussion as to what we want to do for the sign ceremony.

After we receive our CO we have a few months to have events in the barn to raise money.

M. Ward will help pull together donor info for Feb 23, 2007 dedication. We have about 400 donors. Will try to incorporate some of the old Lawrence Barn wood into the donor plaques.

Per Selectmen, HHC needs to pay for half of the barn landscaping. Our half will be \$1850.

We're \$14,000 to \$15,000 behind due to delay in receiving electricians bills. We need \$20,000 between now and Thanksgiving.

Police Dept. has used chairs and tables available that we can use in the Lawrence Barn.

LAWRENCE BARN LANDSCAPING - M. Ward:

Garden Club Committee has decided to wait until Spring to plant. P. Coughlin has arranged for irrigation system around the Lawrence Barn.

NEW BUSINESS: None

Meeting was adjourned at 9:30 PM

Respectfully submitted:

F. Olson
(Fill-in secretary)