



## **Belmont Heritage Commission – January 20, 2022 Meeting Minutes**

**Members attending:** Vicki Donovan, Priscilla Annis, Jack Donovan, Claire Bickford (phone conference) , Ben Rolfe, and Jillian Rolfe.

**Absent members:** Selectman Patten and Victoria Riberio: B. H. S. Representative

**Meeting:** called to order at 6:15 pm

**Approval of November 18, 2021 Minutes:** Motion to accept by Jack and seconded by Jillian and unanimously approved.

### **Old Business:**

- A. Penstock Update – Jack heard back from Preservation Alliance about the names of engineer firms. He contacted one from Northern Mass who answered Jack back quickly, but needed more information. Jack is also waiting to hear back from a Concord NH firm.
- B. Questionnaire – decided to table till April 4<sup>th</sup> . We will set up a group date instead of compiling information at a monthly meeting.
- C. Oral History DVD interviews project – completed! Videographer was paid and we have 5 originals. Jill will make 10 copies and make labels to place on each DVD. Vicki will make more covers for the DVD's and informational insert . Discussion followed to put one in vault and one to Library.
- D. Rail Trail Sign - Need to discuss about what verbiage to use on sign, has to be historically correct. Vicki brought articles from newspaper for commission to peruse. Decided we also need to check other resources like Wallace's booklet and Woody Fogg's direct knowledge of bridge timeline of events. Need to obtain pictures for sign ie: train, old walking bridge and new bridges. Need to contact company for estimated cost of sign, and where to place it along trail so it is visible and possibly in sight of a camera from the bridge.

### **New Business:**

- A. Discussion of new banners to go in Mill area and what should they say.
- B. Vicki reported back to group on the Zoom meeting she was asked to attend. It was an informal workshop to explore common goals and missions on area Heritage Commissions. Laconia Heritage Commission chair Jane Whitehead organized the meeting. Members discussed what their commissions were accomplishing to reach townspeople. Thoughts to expand these meetings four times a year were discussed.

**Meeting Adjourned:** At 7:00P.M. **Next Meeting:** Thursday, February 17, 2022 @ the Belmont Mill @6:00p.m.