



Belmont Heritage Commission January 18, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Members attending: Vicki Donovan, Priscilla Annis, Ben Rolfe, Jillian Rolfe, Claire Bickford (phone conference), Jack Donovan, and Sharon Ciampi. **Absent Members:** Adam Riberio. Other attendees: American Legion rep. Ron Mitchell Approval of **November 16, 2023 Minutes:** Motion to accept by Jack, seconded by Priscilla and unanimously approved. **Meeting:** called to order at 6:08 P.M.

New Business

A. POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS

Plaque for war hero buried in cemetery on Church Hill.*

Identify and explain history of horse trough with a plaque located by Library. *

Old Business

A. BANNERS- Teaming up with the American Legion for Town Banners project. Suggestion from Ron to have banner honoring Veterans KIA. Tonight's meeting was to set a budget, decide on number and placement of banners to order. Budget – Heritage and Legion combining efforts. Placement - Main Street only 10-15 depending on final cost. Installation – Heritage members would like to hire if possible same company who makes the banners to also install them to avoid safety concerns for town employers or Legion members. May need to also find someone/company to design patriotic banners discussed and or new design other than ones we have.

B. QUESTIONNAIRES- Need to go to next step to reach out to more townspeople. Start with Ron Mitchell! Discussion of possible 2nd video to follow up with first video now available at the Belmont Library. Decided on making a book using written interviews.

C. ARTIFACTS INVENTORY STORAGE- Waiting for elevator completion. Sharon Ciampi will then ask other board members about bank storage to Mill to properly inventory and to know what is needed for us to obtain to protect what Historical Society has.

D. SENIOR CITIZENS/SHUT IN'S FOOD DRIVE – Food collected for our *"We Love our Senior Citizens"* project will be distributed to Senior citizens and Shut-ins on Valentine's Day. Coordinating with Belmont Elementary for school wide Soup Drive for Seniors. Students also making Valentine's Day cards. Heritage Commission will supplement with other non-perishable, dairy and needed items for senior citizens. Also asking for donations for this cause.

* suggested by Ron Mitchell

Meeting Adjourned 7:13 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted

Ben Rolfe (Heritage Commission Secretary)

NEXT MEETING February 15, 2024 6:00 P.M. at the Belmont Mill