

Camden Historic Resources Committee
Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, September 8, 2015

Present: Chair, Meg Barclay; Members Elinor Klivans, Judy McGuirk, Pat Scaling; Volunteer Susan Snead; Guest Heather Moran; Select Board Liaison Don White

Minutes of July, 2015 Meeting

The minutes were approved with the following corrections:

- Minutes from June meeting – regarding the Bayview Street building assessments, “report” should be changed to “contract”.
- Select Board Report - “in order to attract more tourism” should be replaced by “to receive the reduced insurance rate available to the Town”.

Select Board Report

Don reported that both the Camden Garden Club House & Garden Tour and the Windjammer Festival had been very successful and well attended.

Village Green

Judy reported that the Select Board has approved their proposed design plan for replanting beds on the Village Green. Work is scheduled to begin September 20. The Camden Garden Club has made the gift of \$15,000 for this project, commemorating the CGC’s 100th anniversary.

There was a meeting with Landon Fake, Dir. of Parks and Rec., and a “to do” list was addressed:

- Trees
 - A large tree on Chestnut Street needs trimming.
 - Hemlocks need to be limbed up and trimmed.
 - Arborvitae near the Baptist Church need to be trimmed and removal is recommended for arborvitae leaning over the Allen Agency driveway.
 - Tree stumps in the lawn must be removed.
- Benches
 - The HRC suggests using the same colored green paint for the benches as that used on the outside of the Opera House.
 - The wooden slats need repair.
 - The CGC recommends adding brass washers between the backs and slats to allow drainage.
 - The granite bench ends need cleaning. Meg suggested consulting with the Cemetery Comm. and Jeff Weymouth.
- Fence
 - The missing fence chain is not at the Snow Bowl. Harbor Master Steve Pixley has been consulted and will pursue this.

- The granite fence posts need cleaning.
- Water System - The wooden casings for faucets need repair and possible leaks near the path to the church need to be addressed. The irrigation system will be turned off during work on the Village Green and turned back on to water plants. Damage assessment will be needed and repairs made when the job is completed.
- Flag Spotlight and Electrical Outlet - The CGC recommends replacing the present light with a model mounted flush with the ground. If this cannot be done, they recommend moving the light fixture just inside one of the granite fence posts. The current arrangement is a tripping hazard.

Expanding Historic Districts

Susan reported that Christi Mitchell and Kirk Mohny at the Maine Historic Preservation Commission have found only one (Cappy's) of the four properties assessed by Sutherland Consultants eligible for listing on the Historic Register. Susan, Meg and Elinor will meet with Christi Mitchell on September 24 to discuss this.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50.

The next meeting of the HRC will be Tuesday, October 13, 2015.

Respectively submitted,
Susan Snead