## Hampton Falls Heritage Commission Draft Meeting Minutes December 9, 2019

Present: Beverly Mutrie, Chair, Phil Chura, Commissioner, and Lou Gargiulo, Selectman and Commissioner.

We called this meeting to order at 2:10 pm. We reviewed the minutes from Nov 11. They were approved upon a motion by Phil Chura, seconded by Lou Gargiulo. Mary Ann Hill, Commissioner, arrived about 2:20pm

Beverly informed the group that she had received David French's resignation by email. He will be sorely missed and will be hard to replace. He has been one of the original members of the HC and was chair for at least 6 years. He should send a formal letter to the BOS too. We brainstormed who to approach to join us in the HC in his place as volunteers are scarce.

We are pleased to report that we have received \$850 for the install and purchase of the Veterans' bridges street signs. We hope to order them in the spring from the DOT for the price of \$1000. Beverly Phil reviewed the CD's of house photos received so far. He is up to date except for the latest houses done this fall.

Beverly has not heard from the Powells re a Historic House Survey of 27 Kensington Rd. Mary Ann and Beverly will make a date soon to go visit the caretaker.

Mary Ann reported that we can get her painter to do 5 signs at once for \$100 each. We agreed to charge \$125 for them as it includes research on the owners and age of the house/property. Phil stated that Marion Hardy, Blue Chip Farm, and 49 Sanborn might be interested along with Ray, the owner of Put Breed's farm.

**Demolition Permit for 148 Kensington Rd**.: Beverly, Phil and Mary Ann viewed the property and took pictures Saturday. It is very close to the road, owned by HAF Properties LLC (Montrone?) and has not been lived in since 1997. There were many areas of damage and probably rotten sills. It was originally built by Reuben Hardy in 1817 or thereabouts. Beverly has written notes about the property and will forward them and keep for our paper file. Mary Ann made a motion **to approve the demolition permit** with a recommendation that salvage of all old doors, windows, flooring and wainscoting be undertaken, if possible. Phil Chura seconded and all agreed. Salvage materials are getting scarcer and more expensive for historic home owners.

Mary Ann has two copies of the RPC colored Historical Properties map by era. We need to review and get the final copy from the RPC or Karen Anderson. We would like to hang the final version in the map file as its 24x36 with taped edges or laminated.

We have decided to skip our January meeting and hopefully from now on, will be meeting on the **first Tuesday of the month at 9 am.** 

A motion to adjourn was made by Lou at 2:40 pm, seconded by Mary Ann and Phil and Beverly also agreed. Beverly Mutrie, Recording Secretary