

**Town of Center Harbor
Heritage Commission Meeting**

- Approved 7/20/17-

July 6, 2017

Minutes

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 5:30pm. Present: Chairperson David Reilly, Roland Garland, Karen Ponton; Absent: Richard Hanson, David Hughes, Nancy Sapack (alternate); Guests: Mae Williams (Grant Consultant), Amy Dixon (NHDHR Grants Coordinator), Amy Reardon.
- II. **NHDHR Model Survey Grant:** The Commission discussed at length the next steps towards implementing the model survey, especially how to get the work done given the limited availability of the consultant and limited pool of volunteers. Major points follow.

The first step is to develop a list of historic properties that are important to the people of Center Harbor. Consensus was to use the Commission's current working draft of 72 cultural and historical resources in Center Harbor, dated 2016. (See attached). This draft includes 22 resources inventoried in 1983 as part of the Town Master Plan, plus resources later identified by the Commission and others. M. Williams shared a simple inventory form that she recommends be used to record information on each resource. This form could easily be completed by property owners, volunteers or others familiar with the property. Information on each property would eventually become part of a geo-database and used to create an interactive GIS map of the Town's historical resources. The minimal amount of required information is the address of each resource and a photograph, which can be easily obtained from the tax assessor's maps on the Town website. M. Williams will email K. Ponton the inventory form so that Commission members can begin to enter this information. R. Garland will see about contacting Historical Society members who own historic properties to engage them in the process.

It was stressed that the entire inventory form does not have to be filled out to be helpful. Information can always be added. Also, the inventory form will be used only to gather information for the survey; the information is not for tax purposes or for reporting to the State.

The mapping process will require software. The goal is to eventually have the map of historical resources available online. A. Reardon is very familiar with ARCHMAP, which is available for purchase from an ESRI company. It is possible

the Town may already own this software; she and D. Reilly will check with Aimee Manfredi-Sanschagrin in the Town Planning and Zoning office. It is also possible that the Lakes Region Planning Commission may have mapping software that the Commission could use. Also, there is free software called QGIS. A. Reardon added that it would be very easy to teach a volunteer(s) how to enter data for the mapping. She also offered to contact PSU to see if any students might be available to help with GIS mapping. Special GIS mapping equipment is not necessary if the address of the historical resource is known.

Another step is to gather historic maps of the Town to use as layers for GIS. A high resolution 1860 map is needed, which may be available through the *Library of Congress* website. D. Reilly has a framed 1892 map that M. Williams may be able to scan. She also needs USGA maps. R. Garland will check to see what maps the Historical Society may have, and email these to M. Williams.

A bibliography of the Town is also needed. M. Williams offered to share the bibliographic information she already has, but it may be incomplete and not have all available written histories of the Town. D. Reilly has a Town history written by a cobbler and he will get a copy to M. Williams. She already has the Town history written by the Historical Society. The Commission knows of no other histories.

M. Williams will email Commission members a copy of the latest draft of the model survey manual.

Timeline for completing the tasks listed above is December 2017.

III. Adjournment: Motion by D. Reilly, seconded by R. Garland to adjourn at 6:47pm

Next Meeting: July 20, 2017 at 4:30pm

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Ponton, Secretary
att(1)

**Town of Center Harbor
Heritage and Cultural Resources Inventory
Working Draft
2016**

1. Leavitt House
2. Libby House
3. Bartlett Homestead
4. Mead Farm/Joseph Kimball Farm
5. Stone Cider Mill
6. Sturtevant Farm
7. Charles Pfeifer House
8. Congregational Church
9. Coe House, formerly Glencoe (National Register of Historic Places)
10. Sutton Place, formerly Piper House
11. William Sheafe House, also known as Twin Gates/Dybro House
12. Caldwell House, formerly Butterfield Cottage
13. Finn Gate House
14. Gilnockie
15. Center Harbor Village School
16. Bjune House, formerly Irving Simonds House
17. Keewaydin
18. Town House
19. Kona Fountain (National Register of Historic Places)
20. Nichols Memorial Library (National Register of Historic Places)
21. Hearthstone Garage
22. Dearborne Place, also known as Lamprey House

Above #1-22 are the current Inventory, found in the Town Master Plan, Chapter 7. Below are suggested additions.

Buildings

23. Dane House (early 1800s) Demolished in 1995
24. Kahle House (1837) Demolished in 1995
25. Dr. Morrill House (c. 1860)
26. Locust Cottage (c. 1800)
27. Page House (1850s)
28. Raines House (mid-1800s)/Keepsake Quilting Building
29. Town Municipal Building (1970)
30. Yikes!, formerly Heath's
31. Former Lady of Victory Church
32. Brick Boathouse/Canoe House on Town Beach
33. Old Grange Building
34. Longwood Barn (1870s)
35. Former Nichols Store/Ferrante Building (1837)
36. Hillcrest
37. Former Blacksmith's Shop (on R. Hanson's property)

38. Small Brick Outbuilding in field at top of Center Harbor Neck Road
39. Jeffery Moody property, late 19th/early 20th century Waukeewan buildings
40. Sharon O'Donnell property, late 19th/early 20th century Waukeewan buildings
41. Leland Trust property, late 19th/early 20th century Waukeewan buildings
42. Earl Family property, a large early 19th century home with evidence of raised cape-style construction/early 2-story home with attic
43. Perkins property with expansive view of Lake Waukeewan, once a farm with buildings dating to late 19th century
44. Former Schoolhouse at intersection of Waukeewan Road and Piper Hill Road

Structures

45. Waukeewan Road "Mosquito Bridge" (Granite abutments date to early 1800s)
46. Town Pound
47. Original Stone Walls along Main Street, Coe Hill Road and College Road
48. Gilnockie Arch (see #14 above)
49. Stone Pillars and Stone Cistern/Silo(?) structure in woods on Center Harbor Neck Road
50. Possible Cellar Holes on Preston Road, dating back to late 18th/early 19th centuries
51. *NV Mount Washington*
52. Bandstand/Gazebo

Places

53. Center Harbor Village Historic District (National Register of Historic Places 1983)
54. Slab City Neighborhood
55. Town Beach & Waterfront (Both Winnepesaukee and Squam)
56. Town Cemeteries (26)
57. Dr. Leonard B. Morrill Park (1952)
58. Winnepesaukee Flagship Corporation Shipyard
59. Cooashauke (Site of *On Golden Pond* film)
60. Pineland Camp (1902) Site
61. Camp Wokondah (1909) Site
62. Camp Bonheur (1913) Site
63. Asquam "The Jungle" Camp (1915)
64. Singing Eagle Camp (1922)
65. Camp Winnicutt (1927) Site
66. Belknap College Site (Plaques)
67. Site of Sturtevant Pine, High Haith Road (Plaque)
68. Site of Whittier Pine

Roads

69. Center Harbor Neck Road (1784? One of the first roads on a map)
70. The College Road

Cultural Resources

71. Center Harbor Town Band
72. Extensive Trail Network, including Center Harbor Woods and Audubon Society Trails