

Town of Sheffield Historical Commission Meeting of June 27, 2017

Present: H. Dennis Sears, Chair, Michael King, Catherine Miller, Kathy Orlando, Brad Simon, Gay Tucker, Jeffrey Waingrow

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Minutes: On a motion duly made and seconded (King/Waingrow), it was voted to accept the corrected minutes of the meeting of April 27, 2017. On a motion duly made and seconded (Waingrow/King) it was voted to accept the minutes of the meeting of May 30, 2017.

Property at 114 South Main Street, Sheffield: The Berkshire Regional Planning Commission has requested a review of the property to determine if there is any historic value. On a motion duly made and seconded (Tucker/Waingrow), it was voted that BRPC could continue with its review as the property does not constitute an historic resource, requiring protection. The Chair will communicate the decision of the Commission to BRPC.

File Cabinet in Town Hall and Camera Purchase: Michael King presented a new digital camera with a lockable box which had been procured from the Snap Shop. The file cabinet requested appears not to be in the room as yet. The Chair will follow up with the Town Administrator.

Historical Register Property Assignments:

Dennis Sears: Ceremonial Stone Landscapes

Michael King: 214 Silver Street – arts and crafts style architecture

Kathy Orlando: Former Curtiss, now Burns house on west side of Route 41

Brad Simon: double chamber smoke house at Sheffield Historical Society

Catherine Miller: 130 Root Lane – colonial shingle style architecture

Jeffrey Waingrow: to be determined

Gay Tucker leaving the Commission: Due to commitments outside the area, attendance at Commission meetings is difficult. Therefore Gay did not request a new term on the Commission. However, she did commit to the following: (1) list all existing buildings with new 911 address, assessor map ID and Sheffield number; (2) create two sets of labels with this information to be placed on plastic sleeves in the Sheffield Historical Society notebooks, and in the blue spiral notebook to be held with the Commission records.

Discussion about the Lime Kiln on Lime Kiln Road which was begun at a previous meeting continued. It was the consensus of the Commission that the site should be explored and that it, and the newer lime kiln off Silver Street might be designated an historical area at some point. Michael King and Jeffrey Waingrow volunteered to pursue.

Next Meeting: August 22, 2017 @ 7:00 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine B. Miller