

Town of Sheffield Historical Commission Meeting of September 13, 2017

Present: Dennis Sears, Michael King, Brad Simon, Jeffrey Waingrow, Kathy Orlando

Absent: Catherine Miller

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

Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of June 27, 2017 were accepted as presented.

Route 7A Bridge in Ashley Falls: After review and deliberation on the Massachusetts Department of Transportation plan for replacing the bridge, the Commission, (Moved by Mr. King, seconded by Mr. Simon and approved (5-0-0), determined the existing bridge is not of historical significance and the new bridge as planned will not impact anything of Commission determined historical significance. The Commission instructed the Chair to so reply by letter to Mass DOT and any other parties of interest.

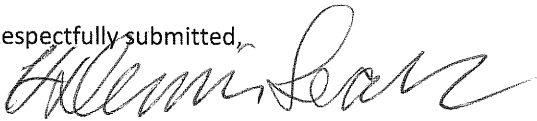
Historical Register Candidate Report – Brad Simon: Mr. Simon reported on what he has discovered on the Smoke House and after discussion detailed his next steps in this project.

Historical Register Candidate Report – Dennis Sears: Mr. Sears reported on contracts with various Tribal preservation officials on Ceremonial Stone Landscapes and outlined future activities to take place following early frosts have cleared vegetation and mosquitos.

Historical Register Candidates Report – Michael King/Jeffrey Waingrow: Messrs. King and Waingrow significant progress on their work with the Lime Kiln investigation and contacts regarding same with the Appalachian Trail and Housatonic Heritage board members as well as next steps in viewing other Kilns and similar structures in the company of leaders of past and future restoration efforts of same. At conclusion of the report, the Commission, (moved by Ms. Orlando, seconded by Mr. Simon and approved (5-0-0), charged Messrs.' King and Waingrow to write a letter representing the entire Commission and send same to the participants and leaders of the organizations they will be working with as this project moves forward.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



H. Dennis Sears, Clerk Pro-tem