

Egremont Historical Commission
Minutes
Saturday May 7, 2016

Attending: Cooper, Siter, Bachelder, Turner, Snyder, Cherin

1: Minutes for March 2016 - approved.

2: Discussion of Arts in Egremont initiated -

1: further research on whether Cornelius DeWitt was a resident. continued by Cherin and Siter.

2: Discussion of Nancy Kuntz role in history.

3: The Commission decided to hold sending letter to the Planning Board in support of their apparent interest in modifying the Village District bylaw until the information meeting on June 11th.

4: Neil Larson has provided one additional installment with a promise to have the rest completed by the end of June. The commission has not voted to authorize his continued appointment until this present assignment is completed. We are looking into other ideas.

5: The Commission is reviewing its holdings to determine what would benefit the most from restoration. It is hoped that this will be determined by the end of the summer. Several candidates could be submitted to NEDCC for appraisal.

6: Healthy Aging - There are several initiatives before the commission. Bachelder has volunteered to serve on Age Friendly through the BRPC and Celeste Harp, as well as the Healthy Streets BRPC and DOT initiatives over the next few months. speed bumps were suggested to control speed through villages.

7: The Commission is reminded that we have been invited to meet with the ATC to discuss a new parking lot proposal. Snyder had several points he wished to see raised in his absence - dutch the position of the placement, remove the first row, increase rear row; define the plantings; remove the handicap parking in front of the house. Concerns were also raised again about use of the buildings and septic issues.

8: Nic Cooper has been asked to see what he can find out about the Congregational Church's plans for securing their property for the future. We have not determined

who owns the property, or how it is envisioned as being cared for. All concerned to this commission. Wood has begun the process of determining who actually owns it.

Meeting was ended at 11:45. Submitted by S.P. Bachelder