

**UNAPPROVED  
BOW HERITAGE COMMISSION  
July 12, 2011 Minutes**

Present: Gary Nylen, Chair, Tom Wilson, Vice-Chair; Faye Johnson, Secretary; John Meissner; and Eric Anderson, BOS Rep  
Absent: Dennis Ordway; Nancy Knapp (excused); Sue Wheeler (excused)  
Guest: Bruce Buttrick, Code Enforcer

**HISTORIC BUILDINGS - Bruce Buttrick  
Bow Bog Meeting House**

- **Bid Review** - Two bids (Jeff Thurston and Turnstone Corporation) were received, reviewed and discussed. Both bidders provided sufficient project references. Decision made to have Bruce contact both bidders and request clarification and breakdown of bids. BHC will have a special meeting as soon as information is received and select bidder.
- **Painting.** Paint and supplies have been purchased to paint the building from the top of the windows down. BHC will be assisted from volunteers from other town organizations and will prepare and paint from the ground only. Town employee will use the ladder. Only one side at a time will be painted.
- **Trees.** Bruce is going to arrange a site walk with the Town Forester. Faye has asked to be notified. Bounds may have to be located.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**Minutes, etc.** June 14, 2011 minutes were approved as written. Expenses were \$645.46 for paint and supplies. Income from BBMH open house and Garden Club Art in the Park was \$130 as follows: Poster \$10; Note Cards \$21; Raffles \$99.

**OLD BUSINESS.**

**Bow Bog Meeting House**

- Grant Application LCHIP will be meeting on Friday to make decisions about a grant round. We will be notified of results.
- Open House - About 120 people attended the open house. Nancy took the photos and Faye prepared the press release, which

was edited and appeared with one of the photos in the Goffstown News. Eric has a disc of the photos and will prepare some appropriate collages for the event. Gary reported that if we send photos with identifying information to NH Preservation Alliance they will place them on their website. We will place something on our website also. Faye Johnson spoke on the history of the building and the State Register Sign was placed on the front of the building. The Boy Scouts did a very nice job, both with the presentation of colors and the ringing of the bell. BHC and the Men's Club combined to provide refreshments of light sandwiches, cookies, iced tea and lemonade. The quartet from the Suncook Valley Chorale sounded amazing with the National Anthem, and the antique cars from Model A Club members and others added just the right touch. Both BHC and the Garden Club had information tables. The BHC appreciates the job members of the Highway Department did on the grounds before the event.

**Bow Center** - Erection of the snow roller cover and sign are awaiting weather and availability of workers. Work will probably begin around Labor Day.

**1976 Bicentennial Coins** - Decision moved to August meeting.

**BHC Brochure Update** - Eric presented a draft of new brochure. Recommendations for changes were made.

**Street Renumbering and Renaming.** Selectmen will meet tonight to discuss this matter. BHC discussed again their concern about loss of historic Bow road names. On motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to reaffirm our recommendations to the Committee. Eric was asked to convey this message to the Selectmen, as well as a request that a hearing on the matter be held after Labor Day so that more townspeople can have input.

**Londonderry Turnpike Milestones.** Gary presented more information on the Turnpike Milestone located on Rt. 3A (former Londonderry Turnpike) in Bow. This area will not be disturbed by the present sewer and water project. He has researched and prepared information necessary to apply to the State for a historic highway marker. Members present signed the

required 20 member petition. He will continue with this application.

Eric has prepared a great tri-fold brochure on this milestone.

Meeting adjourned at 12:30.

Respectfully submitted,  
Faye Johnson, Secretary