



**Milford Heritage Commission**  
**Town Hall**  
**1 Union Square**  
**Milford NH 03055**

**Minutes May 2019**

Meeting Date:

May 8, 2019

Attending:

David Palance, Chairman

Polly Cote, Member

Erna Johnson, Member

Chuck Worcester, Former Chairman

Jan Worcester, Citizen

Chris Thompson, Alternate called to vote

Chris Labonte, Selectman's Representative

Frank Kling, Presenter

Alex Berry, Photographer

Meeting held in the library basement Lull Room

Review of Minutes

Call to vote into record

March Minutes provided for review, voted into record unanimously as corrected.

New Business

- Frank Kling presented concepts of a condo with six units and parking in the rear. Demolition review of 159 Elm St. Freeman-Frederic Crosby House. The Commission submitted a Heritage Review prior to the February 2018 meeting of the existing property and offered three concepts on how the oldest structure could be incorporated into the plans to create a tasteful six-unit complex. The plans presented at this meeting included none of the suggestions. The owner is adamant to demolish the entire building immediately to save on the tax burden. No schedule for the building of a new structure was given. After discussion, the Commission concluded that the only benefit to the town heritage would be to request that the new building when built, would carry the name of the original owner, Frederick and Freeman Crosby. Mr. Kling offered the beams for reuse on another location and the stone lined well could be moved outside to be included in the new concept.

Old Business

- Heritage Chapter in the Town Master Plan,
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Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month 7:00PM  
Wadleigh Memorial Library  
Lull Room



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- Chris and Erna presented a conceptual layout describing each quarry with location, owners past and present. The commission was pleased with the concept and good effort on the research. We discussed the alternate names given over the years and the desire to indicate where the stone was used, whether locally or nationally. A summary chart comparing each will be compiled and then a detail page specific to each quarry would follow. Photographs and map data is being collected, Chris also presented an unusual marker found with NASA markings!
- The Old House Inventory was presented again with the updated form showing over 1,200 houses built prior to 1940. Discussion followed with the desire to get help from Town Planning GIS and the Nashua Regional Planning Commission to create map layers one for the quarries and another for the historical buildings identified.
- Chris Labonte presented the Keyes Field plans that show concepts for re-using the Tonella Stone Cutting Shed remains as a bandstand/stage area near the west side of the Elm Street Burial Ground. There was discussion on whether the stones were marked/numbered prior to demolition. It was not clear that this was done.

The Commission is interested in accepting volunteers to help with the research needed for a complete Master Plan chapter.

Date of Next Meeting

June 12, 2019

Call to Adjourn

7:50pm

Chairman