

Minutes of the Brandon Historic Preservation Commission Meeting February 13, 2020

1. **Call to Order by Lance at 7:05. In attendance: Lance Mead, Richard Baker, Jeff Stewart, Frank Bump, Bob Clarke, and John Peterson.**

a. Agenda Adoption

- **Discussion and approval of the Minutes of December 5, 2019.**
- **Barn inventory – Lance reports that the Barn inventory is making good progress. He distributed the work sheets he and Frank are using and that of the first barn on Carver Street (attached). The map shows the targeted barns. Barns that require repair can qualify for Barn Grants from the Vermont Division for Historic Preservation – but these grants are competitive and require a fairly well written and comprehensive grant application. Lance and Frank will continue the process but it could take at least a year before the survey can be completed.**
- **Lance will check with Blaine to see if there is anything to be reported on the quarry survey**
- **Historic sign postings – Dave Atherton and Seth Hopkins have confirmed that the new budget will have the necessary funds to purchase a new historic marker for the twin-arch stone bridge. Jeff will contact the State to let them know that we are ready to purchase the sign, and will contact Blaine Cliver to get the necessary text. We won't proceed on this until the new budget has been passed at the Town Meeting.**
- **Historic sites and structures survey update. Jeff spoke with Devin Colman, the State Architectural Historian about updating the Historic Sites & Structures Survey originally done in 1975 and updated in 1988. Devin agreed that it makes sense to do it again and said the way to do it would be with a Certified Local Government grant – due in mid-December. Devin indicated that he will help us with the process.**

New Business – Richard will check on the maps being used for the Park Street work to confirm that the location of the hitching posts and mounting blocks are properly designated.

Next Meeting – Thursday, April 9th at 7 at the Steven Douglas House

Meeting adjourned 8:15