

BRANDON HISTORICAL PRESERVATION COMMISSION

January 14, 2025

PRESENT: Dennis Reisenweaver, Vicki Disorda, Shirley Markland, Frank Bump

ABSENT: John Peterson

ALSO PRESENT: Jack Schneider, Amanda Van Eps

Meeting called to order at 7:05 pm (system for Zoom was not completely operable.

Approved minutes from meeting of April 9, 2024, 4-0

Agenda for meeting approved, 4-0

Unfinished business—

Organization—Dennis Reisenweaver was elected Chairman, Shirley Markland, secretary. (4-0)

Discussion of Historical Preservation Scoping Report—-Dennis R indicated that the report found historical significance in last remaining unmodified schoolhouse which is on Wheeler Rd; the observatory on Mt. Pleasant; the Town Farm; Forestdale. Dennis indicated that he had already met with the owner of the observatory. There was discussion of what this meant and any advantages to it. Vicki D offered to research the Town Farm. It was agreed to table this for further discussion..

Historical Building Plaques—-Dennis R. Had met with someone at NE Woodcraft to do a mockup of what he proposed as a model. There was discussion of what this involved, the area and criteria, as well as the form. It was agreed to table this for a later discussion.

New Business

Discussed appointment terms of Commission members and agreed to discuss this further with Town Manager and Select Board. Proposed 3 three year terms and 2 two year terms. Dennis R will write this up for the Town Manager and Select Board..

Went over open meeting requirements.

VTrans Mobile Home Park Historical Survey—-voted that this was not an issue for Brandon as we could not find any historical significance.

Brandon Workbook update—-discussed the need to update the workbook that was last updated in 2002. Vicki had not seen this and needs to find a copy. Jack Schneider talked about the Planning Commission's desire to see this happen and would work with this commission but all agreed that this is no money currently for this and no discussion has taken place as to the format, focus and area. Voted to table this for later discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07pm.

Next meeting April 8, 2025, at 7:00 pm in the basement of the Brandon Town Hall.

Shirley Markland, Secretary