

**Historic Sites Subcommittee**  
(a work committee of the Hyde Park Planning Commission)

**MINUTES**

Tuesday, November 4, 2014 – 5:00 PM

344 Route 15 West, Municipal Offices

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Present: Jim Heath, Monica Heath, Kevin Fitzgerald, and Ron Rodjenski

1. Welcome (Note – There was no October 2014 meeting)

2. Grange Building

Now that the Hyde Historical Society has ended their maintenance work on the building, this committee will be working with the Selectboard on maintenance until a new use is identified. Currently the building needs a clear title which Attorney Jim Mahoney has offered to work on pro bono. The Committee asked that a draft title be provided at their December meeting and Ron will follow up with Jim. The building repair information needs to be collected from Carolyn Jones, and Jim offered to contact her about borrowing the records so they can be copied and filed on the town computer.

3. Joneslan Farm Barns

Ron reported that he spoke with Brian Jones about the “oldest barn in Hyde Park” located across from the Joneslan Apartments on Jones Road. Brian said he would be interested in a preservation project for the barns, but needs help pulling it together. He said there was an attempt a few years ago but the cost was too high without grants or other partners. Jim will meet with Brian and review ideas and then the Committee will discuss if that project is something to pursue. Ron advised the committee that if they hear or see any other similar preservation projects that could be explored we should start a list of potential projects.

4. Other Projects

The subcommittee’s current list of goals:

- a. Clear up the deed and easement issues for Grange
- b. Update the 1981 Historic Sites Inventory; photos and 911 numbers
- c. Identify possible storage and display places for artifacts; including being aware of artifacts that might be lost or sold and could be acquired by the town. Carolyn mentioned the vault at the current Planned Parenthood building on Main St as one possible secure location for artifacts until a permanent location is established.
- d. Town Vault HVAC – donate time to help town clerk over this winter??

5. Adjourn – 5:45 PM

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, December 2, 2014 at 5:00 PM